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General Fitzhugh Lee told of events preceding the Spanish war.—Page 2.

Attempt to start cable connection at San Francisco drew great crowd.—Page 2.

Congressman Acheson stated that Rodgers, Von Bonnhorst and Fuller are sure of places in new governor's cabinet.—Page 1.

First of 65 Carnegie libraries to be dedicated today in New York.—Page 1.

FOREIGN.

Castro's negotiations for loan to pay British and German claims interrupted by presentation of ultimatum.—Page 1.

German and British warships prepared to bombard Puerto Cabello, Venezuela.—Page 1.

Great Britain disclaimed responsibility for seizure of Venezuelan ships.—Page 1.

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President Mitchell again took stand before strike arbitration commission.—Page 9.

Frederick A. Bitner held for wife desertion and perjury.—Page 7.

Spicy evidence given in Bishop Talbot conspiracy trial at Huntingdon.—Page 7.

LOCAL.

The Republican city committee has fixed January 3 as the date for the primaries. The organization leaders say that they have selected their candidate for recorder.—Page 8.

At the coroner's inquest in the death of Mrs. Elizabeth Cuthbert, who was shot in her home in Colwell street, December 1, the jury held Henry Singer for the murder and his brother Martin Singer as an accessory before and after the fact.—Page 5.

Ten million bushels of coal will go out of Pittsburgh harbor within two days.—Page 6.

City officials are preparing to submit the plans for widening Second avenue to a board of viewers.—Page 7.

President Ramsey of the Wabash is preparing a public reply to Vice President McCrea's statement regarding the Duquesne way crossings.—Page 5.

If rain continues today a flood stage in the rivers is imminent.—Page 1.

Confines of the steel corporation inspection indicate that most important extensions are planned for Pittsburgh and Ohio districts.—Page 2.

SOCIAL.

Mr. and Mrs. William Speer Kuhn last night gave a cotillion at the Pittsburgh Golf club in honor of their niece, Miss Sallie Speer Dunbar, preceded by a dinner in honor of Miss Virginia Wright.—Page 6.

Tonight Francis Sellers Guthrie will give his bachelor dinner at the Pittsburgh Golf club and on Monday evening Miss Virginia Bughman will give a dinner at the Schenley in honor of Miss Mary Crossan Hays. It will be followed by the rehearsal for the Hays-Guthrie wedding.—Page 6.

Mrs. John Ross Lyon was the guest of honor at the reception Mrs. Emil Swensson gave yesterday afternoon.—Page 6.

The Central Young Women's Christian association tomorrow will observe the eleventh anniversary of its organization in Christ Methodist Episcopal church.—Page 6.

Mrs. William McClay Hall, Jr., entertained at domino whist yesterday afternoon at her home in Morewood avenue, Shadyside.—Page 6.

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W. B. Rodgers, in suit against W. C. Jutte, contended Monongahela River Consolidated Coal and Coke Company violates Sherman act.—Page 14.

In petition filed to remove John D. Biggert as receiver of the Duquesne Ice Company it was alleged the concern owes $125,000.—Page 14.

George S. Edgar took an appeal to superior court from decision granting partial divorce to his wife.—Page 14.

SPORTING.

Harry C. Pulliam of the Pittsburgh baseball club was elected president of the National Baseball league, which has adjourned.—Page 10.

The Victoria hockey team defeated P. A. C. by a score of 3 to 2.—Page 10.

The New Orleans winners: Tom Maybin, If You Dare, Hanover Queen, Scorpion, Jessie Jarboe and Mrs. Frank Foster.—Page 10.

FINANCIAL.

Eastern stock market opened very weak, but closed firm and higher.—Page 12.

On the Pittsburgh stock exchange a big break in prices was followed by a sharp recovery.—Page 12.

Grains are slightly lower in Chicago.—Page 13.

BIG BANK ROBBERY REPORTED IN SOUTH

SANTA FE, N. M., Dec. 12.—The bank at Hillsboro, Sierra county, was held up in broad daylight today and robbed of $30,000, according to a report received here.

Sultan Arrives With Army.

TANGIER, MOROCCO, Dec. 12.—The sultan arrived outside of Fez today. He is sending the bulk of his army against the pretender, who is still at Tazza.

OCEAN INTELLIGENCE.

Arrived Dec. 12.

London—Columbian from Boston.
London—Memnon from Montreal.
Queenstown—Campania from New York.
Genoa—Aller from New York.

Sailed Dec. 12.

London—Cymbrian for Boston.
London—Minneapolis for New York.
Liverpool—Philadelphia for New York.
Liverpool—Covic for New York.
Moville—Parisian for St. John.
Naples—Trape for New York.
Auckland—Sonoma for San Francisco.

TODAY'S AMUSEMENTS.

ALVIN—Jerome Sykes in "The Billionaire," 2 and 8 p. m.
NEW GRAND—New stock company in "The Two Orphans," 2:15 and 8:15 p. m.
BIJOU—"Tracy, the Outlaw," 2:15 and 8:15 p. m.
DUQUESNE—Reilly & Woods' big show, 2 and 8 p. m.
EMPIRE—"The Counterfeiters," 2:15 and 8:15 p. m.
ACADEMY—The High Rollers' Company, 2 and 8 p. m.
AVENUE—The three Lukens and nearly 50 other people in continuous performance, 1:30 to 10:30 p. m.
CARNEGIE INSTITUTE AND ART GALLERIES—Loan exhibition, open from 9 a. m. to 10 p. m.
DUQUESNE GARDEN—Ice skating.
PITTSBURGH CARNEGIE MUSIC HALL—Pittsburgh Orchestra, Victor Herbert, conductor, and Van Hoose, soloist, 2:15 p. m.
PITTSBURGH CARNEGIE MUSIC HALL—Free organ recital by City Organist E. H. Lemare, 8:15 p. m.
ALLEGHENY CARNEGIE MUSIC HALL—Free organ recital by City Organist E. P. Kelley, 8 p. m.

DESTRUCTION OF LA GUAYRA THREATENED

British and German Guns Now Trained on Venezuelan City.

MINISTER BOWEN AIDS PRISONERS

Respect for Monroe Doctrine Assured by England's Attitude.

KAISER IS DISTRUSTED

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]
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La Guayra, Venezuela, Dec. 12.—The situation here has just assumed a more serious phase and hostilities appear imminent.

The British cruiser Charybdis, flying the flag of Commodore Montgomery; the German cruiser Vineta and the German training ship Stosch have just arrived in port and have taken positions in line of battle.

There has been great military activity in this port and all the preparations are indicative of a movement to resist attack. Ammunition and dynamite and other munitions of war are being placed in wagons and taken away in the direction of Caracas. A train has been used in connection with the removal of the ammunition. Powder which was stored in the Laviga and San Carlos forts has been taken away. There are rumors here that the Venezuelan government troops intend to abandon the town and fortify the heights in order to guard the roads leading to Caracas. Defensive arrangements are being made at strategic points in the mountains.

Upon the arrival of a merchant steamer of the Harrison line and the Dutch mail steamer Prinz Willem IV. here today the commander of the British cruiser Indefatigable went aboard them and advised them to remain out of port, as they could be protected then. The British commander added that he could not answer for what may take place at any moment in this port.

Nothing to Be Feared.

The mails were landed and the captains of the merchantmen asked for lighters for the discharge of the cargoes. This was refused by the customs house officials, who said: "There is no reason why you should not enter the port the same as usual. There is nothing to be feared."

This statement was regarded as strange in view of the military preparations in the port. All Venezuelans able to carry arms are presenting themselves for service.

A Dutch steamship left Puerto Cabello on a special trip to Willemstad, Curacao, to take foreigners there.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—The news that President Castro was willing to arbitrate reached London after the house of commons had risen and most of the government officials had left their offices. For these reasons it was impossible to get even a semi-official opinion upon the probable action that Great Britain and Germany might take as a result of Venezuela's changed attitude.

It was particularly unfortunate that the commons should have adjourned so early in the afternoon, for had the news been received while they were sitting several members, I was informed tonight, would have interpolated Lord Cranborne as to what action Great Britain might be expected to take.

Britain Willing to Arbitrate.

The prevailing sentiment in political and diplomatic circles is that Great Britain will be very willing to submit the question to arbitration, if the United States has been approached by Venezuela in good faith. The fact is the sentiment for arbitration was very strong in official and non-official circles long before the matter reached such a critical stage.

There is no doubt that the sinking of the Venezuelan warships was quite a shock to almost everyone outside of the government officials, if not to them. It was not realized that Germany and England were prepared to go so far. Even the Times this morning was quite disconcerted by this vigorous action and said that it was a strong measure requiring more justification than has yet been given.

The Westminster Gazette, which, of course, represents the opposition, says: "The taking of prizes and sinking of them when taken are undoubtedly acts of war, if the Venezuelans choose to regard them so, whereas, we had been led to suppose that a naval demonstration and seizure, if necessary, of a material guarantee, was all that was contemplated."

Both the Times and the Westminster Gazette point out distinctly that Lord Cranbourne, in announcing this startling news, said that the two prizes taken by the German commodore had been sunk, and they express the hope that no British ships took part in the sinking of these vessels.

Puerto Cabello Threatened.

A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Willemstad, Curacao, dated December 11, says that the foreign residents of Puerto Cabello are taking refuge on board the German cruiser Vineta and the British cruiser Ariadne and that these vessels are threatening to bombard the port.

The foreign office has published two of Minister Bowen's dispatches which were communicated by the state department at Washington to Minister Herbert and which were received by the foreign office last night. Those dispatches relate to the attack on the German legation at Caracas and give Mr. Bowen's steps to obtain the release of 54 German and British subjects arrested in Caracas and the announcement that all the persons apprehended had been released.

Mr. Bowen's first telegram is dated Caracas, December 10, and is as follows:

The German legation was attacked last night by a mob. I went at once to the governor and obtained police protection for the German and British legations and the promise that no further attacks by mobs would be made.

I visited the police station this morning and talked with all the prisoners, who number 54 in all, 44 Germans and 10 British. Some of these prisoners were so poor that I had to give them money to buy food and four of them were ill. I except to get them liberated within an hour.

All British and German subjects in Venezu-

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PRESIDENT CASTRO ON HORSEBACK.

This is the most recent photograph of the Venezuelan executive. It was taken on his return to Caracas after his last victory over the revolutionists. The handkerchief which President Castro holds in his hand is his "saluting" kerchief. Instead of touching his hat with his forefinger or raising his sword, Castro raises the handkerchief, bowing at the same time.

CASTRO TRIES TO RAISE THE MONEY

Presentation of Ultimatum Interrupts Settlement of European Claims.

POWERS TOO HASTY

[ASSOCIATED PRESS CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]

London, Dec. 12.—As a result of the announcement that Venezuela has asked United States Minister Bowen to act as arbitrator in the controversy with Great Britain and Germany, Senor Schotbergh, Venezuelan consul here, tonight made an important statement. He is the only representative of the Venezuelan government in London and has been acting in concert with President Castro's secret delegations, whose actions in Rome, Paris, Amsterdam and London would form, in the event of arbitration, an important part in Venezuela's case. Senor Schotbergh said:

"About six months ago President Castro sent special envoys to different European cities intrusted with a confidential mission having for its object to ascertain the state of feeling of the foreign creditors of the Venezuelan republic and to try to arrive at a basis of agreement for the consolidation and unification of all of Venezuela's foreign debts, including the diplomatic claims. The envoy who came to London was instructed to associate himself with me; the other envoys were engaged in connection with other claims against Venezuela, especially those of Spain, France and Italy.

Plan of Settlement.

"After considerable negotiating in London and on the continent, a suggested plan of settlement was arrived at. Subsequently the firm of J. & W. Seligman & Co. of New York and one of the leading French banking concerns promised tentatively to support the plan. In brief, these documents provided as the executive is inspired by an earnest desire of coming to a final settlement with all Venezuela's foreign creditors for the consolidation of all debts and claims into a unified loan, not exceeding $8,000,000, to be known as the 'Venezuelan unified 4 per cent loan of 1902.'

"In conjunction with this plan, an international bank under European control was to be established and interest on the loan was to be guaranteed by the customs. Fiscal agents appointed by this bank were to be installed in all custom houses and were themselves to collect the interest on the loan. If at any time the customs receipts proved insufficient to meet this interest, the government undertook to make good any deficiency out of other revenues.

Ultimatum Was Premature.

"It was considered essential to learn the attitude of the United States. While final steps were being taken the crisis became acute. An unofficial effort was then made to gain the good offices of the United States in order to procure for Venezuela a slight extension of time. The final arrangements were cabled from London to President Castro and were ready for presentation to the foreign office pending President Castro's reply, when the news of the presentation of the ultimatum was received.

"This plan by no means has been given up, although, of course, all negotiations to this end at present are at a standstill. Unless matters go to further extremities in Venezuela, a settlement upon some such basis as the foregoing is still possible. The British and German creditors of Venezuela must eventually rely upon some financial arrangement as the only method of getting back their money."

MILLION DOLLARS LEFT TO CHARITY

R. C. Billings, Late Merchant, Prince, Remembers Theological School.

IS PEER OF PEABODY

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

BOSTON, Dec. 12.—A million for charity. Not since the announcement of the munificent public bequests of George Peabody, the great banker, were announced has there been anything in New England to approach the additional sums which are now to be given away under the provisions of the will of R. C. Billings, the millionaire philanthropist.

Mr. Billings was a member of the dry goods firm of the Faulkner-Page Company, lived at Jamaica Plain and died June 12, 1899, leaving an estate of $2,638,411.65, of which $280,606.10 was in personal property and $2,355,804.94 in real estate. The will contained private bequests amounting to $900,000 and the public bequests of $600,000.

The supreme court has allowed 119 of the 124 bequests of the will. Among them are large legacies to Berea college, Berea, Ky.; Lincoln Memorial University, Cumberland Gap, Penn., and Meadville Theological seminary, Meadville, Pa.

GILMAN IS PRESIDENT.

Civil Service Reform League Elects Officers at Philadelphia and Adjourns.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 12.—The annual meeting of the National Civil Service Reform league came to an end today. Reports were read from many states and from widely scattered civil service reform associations, showing a well-developed movement among women to aid the cause.

The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Daniel C. Gilman, Baltimore; vice presidents, Charles Francis Adams, Boston; Joseph H. Choate, New York; Grover Cleveland, Princeton; Charles W. Eliot, Cambridge; Arthur T. Hadley, New Haven; Henry C. Lea, Philadelphia; Seth Low, New York; Franklin MacVeagh, Chicago; Henry C. Potter, D. D., New York; P. J. Ryan, D. D., Philadelphia; Harry A. Garfield, Cleveland. Elliott H. Goodwin was re-elected secretary.

TWO BANKS COMBINE.

Will Bring Big Financial and Insurance Interests Into Harmony. Capital Will Be $10,000,000.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—A banking consolidation was announced today which will bring into harmony the insurance and financial interests of the Mutual Life Insurance Company, the Equitable Life Assurance society and the Morton Trust Company.

The directors of the national bank of the United States voted to amalgamate with the Western National bank and make the combined capital $10,000,000.

The new bank will continue under the management of V. P. Snyder, president of the Western, and will occupy for the present the offices of the Western National bank. The new institution will be known as the Western National bank of the United States.

Barrett Declines Japanese Mission.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Secretary Hay has received a cablegram from John Barrett, dated at Calcutta, India, today declining the Japanese mission which had been tendered to him.

CLERK'S RELIGIOUS SCRUPLES COST HIM $480 PER ANNUM

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Assistant Secretary Ailes has disposed of the case of Elmer Pettiford, a colored clerk in the treasury department and a Seventh Day Adventist, who refused to work on Saturdays.

Although the chief of the division in which Pettiford was employed insists that the work is being delayed by reason of his absence one day in each week, Mr. Ailes has not been disposed to dismiss him, and finally has concluded to transfer him to the sixth auditor's office, where he will be put to work assorting money orders. He will be reduced, however, from $1,200 to $720 a year, that being the maximum pay allowed by law for that work. He will be paid only for the time he is actually employed.

OHIO RIVER BILL IS PIGEON-HOLED

Burton's Opposition to Survey Resolution Stops All.

QUAY PLANS WAR

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Room 10, Postal Building.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 12.

The rivers and harbors committee has not yet acted on the resolution introduced by Representative Bromwell of Ohio appropriating $200,000 for a survey of the Ohio river from the mouth of the Miami to Cairo. On the authority of a leading member of the committee it will not take any action on this resolution, which was proposed as the first step toward improving the Ohio and making it navigable the entire year. Chairman Burton's opposition to the project is as firm as ever and this is a guarantee that Mr. Bromwell's resolution will die with the Fifty-seventh congress and that the Ohio river improvement will be delayed at least another year. An argument against the Bromwell appropriation measure used by members of the rivers and harbors committee who are opposed to the Ohio river improvement is that an appropriation for the same purpose which was reported by the committee and passed by the house, was killed in the senate in 1900. It was included in the emergency bill and provided for the survey of the lower Ohio river. It is asserted by Mr. Burton that at that time the Ohio Valley improvement association opposed the appropriation and assisted in having it killed in the senate.

"Why, do you know what is being asked for in this resolution?" said a member of the committee. "They are asking for two-thirds of the entire annual appropriation of surveys for the whole country. The rivers and harbor bill carries about $300,000 for surveys, including the inspection of bridges, etc., and this resolution asks for $200,000 for this single survey. The resolution must stand or fall by its merits, and personally, I will say that I don't think it will be reported."

Quay Prepares to Fight.

On Monday the fight over the omnibus statehood bill will be resumed in the senate and the three days intervening between the adjournment yesterday and the resumption of the battle are being employed by both sides in preparation for the struggle. Senators are studying the reports of Senator Quay and Senator Beveridge and are gathering material for speeches that will have the two-fold object of convincing doubtful ones and postponing the ballot. Both sides are confident of victory. Mr. Quay says that he and his friends will have plenty of votes to pass the omnibus bill, and Mr. Beveridge says that the claim is "ridiculous." So there remains nothing but for the two sides to fight it out.

Westerners Appear on the Scene.

There arrived in the city today a delegation of prominent citizens of New Mexica, who are here to lobby for the omnibus bill. They are sturdy and healthy-looking specimens of western manhood, and one of the objects of their coming is to demonstrate to the effete east that at least some of the citizens of the territories do not "pack guns" and do wear "boiled shirts." They were presented to the president today by Delegate Dennis Flynn of Oklahoma. The senators who are scheduled to speak against the bill are Beveridge, Dillingham, Durham, Nelson, Kean, Lodge, Hanna, Spooner and Quarles.

Connell's Contest Under Way.

Representative Connell's contest against George Howell for a seat in the Fifty-eighth congress is launched. The ballots have been removed from the boxes for preservation and are in possession of Clerk Searle of the United States court for the middle district of Pennsylvania. Mr. Connell said today:

Further Denials Necessary.

It was found necessary by the officials of the department of justice to again deny today that Attorney General Knox was seriously ill. The attorney general left St. Augustine yesterday, and after a stop of a few days at Summerville, S. C., he will return to Washington.

Postoffice Appointments.

Postmasters were appointed today as follows: Pennsylvania—Bishop, Washington county, Jules B. Roussel; Hooker, Butler county, Robert Adams; Saint-Joe Station, Butler county, William F. Bruner. Ohio—Atlas, Belmont county, John E. Wheatby. West Virginia—Lanark, Raleigh county, John B. Laing.

L. W. STRAYER.

PRIZE FIGHT IN CHURCH.

Former Sacred Detroit Edifice Refitted as Temple of Modern Pugilism.

DETROIT, Dec. 12.—(Special.)—With its pulpit platform converted into a nicely padded prize ring and pews circling round it to form an amphitheater, the old Woodward Avenue Methodist Episcopal church, in which many Detroit people of the present generation were first taught to kneel and worship, is ready for its dedication as a temple of the gentle art of pugilism.

It is now the property of the Gentlemen's Pastime Athletic club, which reopens the sacred edifice on December 22 with a debate between "Noah" Brusso and "Philadelphia Tommy" Ryan at 158 pounds. Regulation gloves are called for in the specifications and the contest promises to be worthy of the occasion. The old pastor's study and organist's rooms have been fitted up to serve as dressing rooms for the principals.

COAL FOR SOUVENIRS.

Pennsylvania Society Holds Fourth Annual Banquet in Waldorf-Astoria—Bishop Potter Presides.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Four hundred and sixty members and guests of the Pennsylvania society of New York were present at the fourth annual dinner given at the Waldorf-Astoria tonight. The souveniers consisted of miniature coal buckets filled with anthracite coal.

President George F. Baer of the Reading railroad spoke on "Pennsylvania Theories of Government."

Among others who spoke, beside Bishop Potter, who presided, were the Rt. Rev. Alex Mackey-Smith, bishop co-adjutor of the diocese of Pennsylvania, and John Patton of Grand Rapids, ex-United States senator from Michigan.

Collision on Ohio.

ROCHESTER, PA., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—Considerable excitement was caused here this evening by the blowing of a distress signal by the steamer G. W. Morecock. The Moredock was struck by a dredgeboat, which had broken loose at lock No. 5 as a result of the rapid rise in the river. She was but slightly injured, but the dredgeboat was badly damaged and it required hard work to prevent her from sinking.

HERBERT WOLCOTT BOWEN.

United States Minister to Venezuela, Who Is Protecting British and German Residents and Seeking to Effect a Settlement Between the South American Republic and Its European Enemies.

CABINET MAKERS FINISH THE WORK

Acheson Says Fuller, Von Bonnhorst and Rodgers Are Decided Upon.

GRIEST IS RECEPTIVE

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Public Ledger Building,
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 12.

Congressman Acheson, who passed through tonight to spend Sunday at his home, is confident that Frank M. Fuller of Fayette will succeed W. W. Griest as secretary of the commonwealth. He is pleased over the prospective appointment of W. B. Rodgers as attorney general, and said that there was no doubt that George von Bonnhorst would be commissioner of banking.

"There is much interest at the capital," said Mr. Acheson, "regarding the cabinet of Gov.-elect Pennypacker. It is my understanding that Senator Quay will use his influence with the governor-elect to have Mr. Fuller appointed secretary of the commonwealth. An understanding to this effect, I am told, was reached by Quay and Fuller at about the time the last Republican state convention was held at Harrisburg. His competency is not disputed. Fuller supported Senator Quay three years ago, in opposition to my interests, when I felt that I should have his support. Although he often differed with me, I am now for him.

"Quay, Durham and the Pittsburgh leaders, I am told, have agreed upon George von Bonnhorst for the banking commissionership."

Quay Has the Votes.

"How about the statehood bills?"

"New Mexico and Arizona will be admitted. Quay has the votes and a roll call is all he wants."

Several Lancaster county Republican leaders were here today. One of them, a very close friend of Secretary of State Griest, said that it was not yet known whether the secretary would succeed himself. He said Griest had not asked for a reappointment, would not do so, hardly expected to continue in office, but would do so if requested.

Senator Cummings of Warren called upon Commissioner Durham this afternoon. He said Warren county had a candidate for the position of superintendent of public printing. Willis Cowan, proprietor and publisher of the Warren Mail, is being urged for the place now filled by Thomas Sample of Allegheny. Mr. Cummings has indorsed Cowan for the place.

Beaver county, which will probably furnish the chairman of the next appropriations committee, also has a candidate for the superintendency of public grounds and buildings. W. H. Bricker is anxious to succeed T. Larry Eyre. D. S. Walton of Greene county has been mentioned for attorney general. Mr. Walton called upon Judge Pennypacker this week. He came too late. James A. Wright, a well-known local labor leader, wants to succeed James Campbell, state factory inspector.

Caucus Dates Fixed.

An official notice to senators and members-elect of the next general assembly, including the holdovers, giving the date of the respective party caucuses was sent out today. The senate and house caucuses to nominate a president pro tem and speaker will be held Monday evening, January 5. Both bodies will organize the following day and in the evening, Tuesday, January 6, the caucus to select a candidate for United States senator will be held. The senate and house will ballot separately for United States senator, Tuesday, January 20, and the day following both branches will meet in joint convention when the journals will be compared, and the formalities connected with the re-election of Senator Penrose disposed of. CHESTER D. POTTER.

TARIFF TREATY SIGNED

Cuban Officials Affix Their Signatures to Reciprocity Agreement With United States.

HAVANA, Dec. 12.—A definite treaty of commercial reciprocity between Cuba and the United States was signed at 11 o'clock last night by Gen. Bliss and Secretaries Zaldo and Montes. It only lacks the signatures of Secretary Hay and Senor Quesada and the approval of the United States and Cuban senates to make it operative.

Although the treaty provides for a uniform reduction of 20 per cent from the present tariff charges on Cuban products entering the United States, a parallel list of products has been drawn up in which is set forth the reductions on each item made by Cuba and the United States, respectively. It is impossible now to make any material change in this list.

RISING WATERS THREATEN FLOOD

Weather Forecaster Says Business Interests Should Prepare.

MORE RAIN LIKELY

Dangerously high water is expected in the rivers tonight or tomorrow morning as a result of the heavy and continued rainfall in the upper river valleys. The rains and warm temperature caused the snow in the mountains to melt, raising all streams rapidly.

Forecaster Frank Ridgway did not last night predict a flood stage or danger of damage by water. He said that if the rainfall continues today all interests affected by flood conditions should keep in touch with the local weather office and have someone on watch at their places of business tonight and tomorrow. While there was not sufficient data at hand last night to cause alarm, Forecaster Ridgway thought it advisable to send out preliminary warnings.

"The disturbance which was central on Thursday in Colorado had moved last night to Texas. This storm caused rains in the central valleys and middle Atlantic states, extending to the Atlantic coast.

In the three rivers at Pittsburgh there was a rise of nearly seven feet up to 8 o'clock last night. The rainfall in Pittsburgh amounted to three-tenths of an inch up to 8 p. m., and continued for some time thereafter.

Forecaster Ridgway expects between 17 and 18 feet of water by tonight at Davis island dam, unless the storm moves to the northeast and causes continued rains in this section. If this change occurs, a flood can be looked for.

For an hour last night the weather was such that the traction, telephone and telegraph companies feared trouble. Fortunately, the condition of the weather which justified the alarm lasted but a short time.

Just after nightfall the rain began to turn into ice on the sidewalks and on traction and telegraph wires. The downtown district, where heat was reflected from brick and stone buildings, was comparatively free from the annoyance, but in the outlying portions of Pittsburgh and Allegheny and in the suburban districts the ice formed fast. The trolley wires were soon covered with it, and the trolleys slipped along, the current only occasionally leaping through the icy integument and propelling the cars spasmodically. Cars were generally delayed.

The new ice scrapers were put into use by the traction company and did good work scraping the ice from the trolley wires. The scrapers were not kept out long, for before 9 o'clock the weather became slightly warmer, the ice ceased to form and the danger was past.

BOSTON TO BECOME GREAT STEEL MARKET

BOSTON, Dec. 12.—(Special.)—The continued purchase of property by the Pennsylvania railroad has been confirmed by an official of the New York, New Haven & Hartford tonight. He said: "Events are now taking place in Boston that will make that city one of the most important steel markets in the country."

BIG FIGURES TO REPRESENT INVESTMENTS

Traction Capitalization in This State Is Surprisingly Large.

IS CRITICISED BY MAJOR BROWN

Stocks and Bonds Double Average Cost of Steam Railways in U. S.

OVER 640,000,000 FARES

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

Harrisburg, Dec. 12.—The capitalization of the street railways in Pennsylvania is more than double the reported average cost of road and equipment of the steam railways in the United States. This statement is based on the official returns of both steam and street railways for the past 12 months to the state bureau of railways, of which Maj. Isaac B. Brown is chief.

"If this evidence should be questioned," says Maj. Brown in his annual report, "then the comparisons of the capital stock outstanding and the bonded indebtedness among street railway corporations in Pennsylvania similarly located will show that one company may have many times the amount of capital stock and bonded indebtedness outstanding that another corporation has which has been constructed and maintained under similar conditions.

"From a fairly close observation of these transactions in recent years it must be apparent that the bonded indebtedness outstanding more than equals the cost of these roads and their equipment, from which it follows that in many cases at least there was little, if any, cash actually invested in the stocks."

Maj. Brown suggests that there should be some supervision established in this state over the issuance of bonds and stocks of street railways.

Criticises Capitalization.

"The wildest schemes of capitalization," he adds, "have characterized the proceedings of many street railway corporations in their organization, in their management, in their consolidations, in their mergers and in their reorganization until we have a condition which shows that the capitalization of street railways in Pennsylvania is more than double the reported average cost of road and equipment of the steam railways in the United States."

There are 97 street railway companies in Pennsylvania that are either operating their own lines or the lines of other corporations. The returns of these corporations indicate that the business of operating street railways does not result in great dividends to stockholders.

"Yet, possibly," said Maj. Brown, "if the exact amount of cash that has gone into the construction of street railways could be known it might appear that even the apparently small amount of dividends paid would be a fair-sized rate of dividends on the actual amount of cash capital so invested."

The aggregate capital stock outstanding of these 97 operating street railway companies is $60,608,228. These companies report a funded debt of $36,373,200. Gross earnings from operation for the year covered by the report were $29,001,741. The operating expenses were $15,624,809. The amount paid in dividends was $1,088,443. The total amount of rentals paid was $7,320,636.

Mileage in This County.

The entire length of the street railways in the state is 2,175 miles. The total number of cars in use was 7,161, of which the Pittsburgh Railways Company had 1,541 and the United Traction Company of Philadelphia 3,295. The total number of employes in the service of these operating street railways in Pennsylvania was 17,788 and the amount paid for their services was $10,304,401.

The number of passengers carried the past 12 months was 640,075,370. Passengers killed numbered 34. Maj. Brown says many of the serious accidents have been at crossings of street and steam railway tracks, and suggests that street railways ought to establish the most stringent rules with reference to the moving of cars at grade crossings with steam railways.

"It does seem that the time has come," he adds, "when public supervision should be provided for with reference to accidents as well as some other feature which relates to the chartering, the construction, the operating and management of street railways."

There are 96 street railway companies that make subsidiary reports to the bureau. Their lines are leased and controlled by other corporations and data with reference to these companies does not appear among the information which relates to operating street railway companies.

Housekeeper Found Dead.

NEW CASTLE, PA., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—Mrs. Johanna McKean, housekeeper for William Foltz, president of the First National bank, was found dead in her bed this morning.

South Atlantic States Will Still Be In Sight Tomorrow.

According to the astronomical charts at the Allegheny observatory, there will be no planetary disturbances tonight likely to result in the total inundation of the eastern half of the United States. The prophet in Erisiol, Tenn., who predicted this terrible cataclysm to follow a conjunction of the planets at 12 o'clock tonight, has missed his cue. The routine of the solar system will continue unchanged. People on the lowlands can go on with their Christmas shopping without any reasonable fear of their normal existence being disturbed.

The prophecy of the Tennessee man is unique. If it should come to pass the map of the United States tomorrow morning would no longer contain the South Atlantic states. The race question in South Carolina would be settled because water would flow in over the country for 200 miles from the present seaboard. Pittsburgh would be the largest city in Pennsylvania, because Philadelphia would be at the bottom of the Delaware river. New York and Washington would disappear.

Dr. John Brashear, of the Allegheny observatory, last night said: "That story of a conjunction of the planets is pure rot. Nothing of that sort will occur, and if it should, there would be no change in the sea level."

INSPECTION TO END AT LORAIN

Movements of Steel Corporation People Indicate Their Plans.

NO DEAL WITH UNION CO.

The $17,000,000 Improvements for the National Tube Company Have Yet to Meet Approval of the Corporation Directors.

Members of the United States Steel Corporation inspection party spent yesterday morning in conference in the Frick and Carnegie buildings, where are located the headquarters of the five constituent concerns. At noon the party left on the Ft. Wayne road for the western trip, which is to end at Lorain, O., today. The party will be back in Pittsburgh this evening and the New York officials will go east.

On the trip yesterday afternoon stops were made at the Sharon works of the National Steel Company and works of the same company at Youngstown. There is under consideration the erection of additional furnaces and steel mills at both places. A short stop was made at Ambridge, near Economy, where the new works of the American Bridge Company are being erected.

A special dispatch from New Castle last night announced that the special train hastened through there, and the report infers that that community is to have no share of the millions proposed in expenditures. The party left Youngstown at 7 o'clock last night, going to Cleveland for the night by way of Alliance.

It was officially denied last night that the corporation is to absorb the new Union Steel Company, which is yet engaged in completing its organization with stock and bond issues of $51,000,000, out of $75,000,000 authorized. It is understood, however, that there have been negotiations for such a deal and that they are still alive.

The executives and members of the finance and executive committees of the company will make its recommendation to the directors as to improvements as the result of the trip ending today. The limiting of the itinerary to the Pittsburgh, Youngstown and Lorain districts indicates which of the plans of the corporation are uppermost.

The plans of the National Tube Company, for extensions at a cost of upwards $17,000,000 at McKeesport and Lorain, while standing approved by the executives of the corporation, have yet to meet final indorsement of the directors. This is expected in the shape of the necessary appropriations for the work.

EXPANSION PLANNED BY NATIONAL GLASS

Tableware Company Preparing to Add Capital by New Stock Issue.

The directors of the National Glass Company have approved a plan to issue $1,600,000 preferred stock, which, after retiring $800,000 of common stock, will give the company $800,000 for extension and concentration of operations and working capital. Some of the plants of the Indiana gas belt are to be abandoned by reason of the waning gas supply, and these will be concentrated in the Pittsburgh district. Just which plants will be abandoned and where they will be concentrated is undecided, but the extensions will not be at Rochester, where the company has just completed the erection of a big, new modern plant.

Extensions are being considered for the works at Cambridge, O., which are new and only recently completed. Extensions to the company's facilities in the present year have aggregated $500,000, and next year it is designed to expend nearly as much. The new $800,000 fund will go to defray part of the cost of the extensions of this year and proposed extensions next year.

The 20 plants which the company now operates have a pot capacity of 500. The next largest concern engaged in the tableware trade, the United States Glass Company, operates 270 pots.

A special meeting of the stockholders of the National company has been called for February 16, at which the plan to issue new preferred stock amounting to $1,600,000 will be voted on. This stock will be 7 per cent cumulative and will go to the present shareholders in exchange for stock now outstanding of par value of $800,000, and the same amount of cash. The present authorized stock issue of the company is $4,000,000, of which $2,325,000 has been issued. The company has a bond issue of $2,100,000.

DEWEY IN COMMAND.

Hero of Manila Bay Has Fleet of 40 Warships Assembled Off Culebra Island.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 12.—Admiral Dewey, in a cable dispatch received at the navy department today dated San Juan, December 11, announces the opening of the fleet maneuvers by the combined squadrons under his command. The dispatch follows:

"The combined squadrons are now assembled off Culebra engaged in maneuvers. The search problem is completed, the squadrons under Rear Admiral Sumner having been successful."

Forty men-of-war are participating in the exercises. The operations are being watched by official representatives from the navy and war departments and will continue until some time in January.

In Memoriam.

At a special meeting of the board of directors of the Germania Savings bank of Pittsburgh, Pa., held Thursday afternoon, December 11, 1902, the following minute was adopted:

"The board of directors of the Germania Savings bank with sorrow record the death of one of its members, Joseph Abel, who, since the organization of this bank, 32 years ago, has been one of its officers and directors, and whose companionship we have enjoyed for years and will now greatly miss.

"With tender sympathy for the loved ones who mourn the loss of an affectionate husband and father, and with deep regret that he has been taken from us, we bow to the will of Him Who ruleth over all."

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GEN. LEE RELATES SECRET HISTORY

Tells How He Nearly Killed Gen. Funston While He Was Consul General.

SPEAKS AT A BANQUET

Cuba, the Richest Country in the World, Should Belong to Us. Young Spanish Officers Blew Up the Maine.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Gen. Fitzhugh Lee addressed the members of the Patria club tonight on "The United States and Cuba." He said in part:

I reported to President Cleveland the exact condition of affairs that existed in Cuba; I reported the rebellion with all its brutalities and horrors and told him that it would continue for several generations if not brought to a speedy end. Mr. Cleveland gave no attention to my reports and it was not until that great man now sleeping his last sleep in Canton, O., took charge of affairs in Washington that these atrocious conditions were brought to an end.

Cuba is well worthy of the attention of the American people. It is the richest spot on God's green earth. No country can ever rival Cuba in is products. It has been waiting for half a century for American energy and enterprise. If we had not sacrificed wisdom for sentiment we would own Cuba today. When we did have Cuba we should have held on to it, but some of the people wanted to show the world that they were acting for humanity's sake and not for the possession of territory.

Prior to the war with Spain, when I was consul general in Cuba, there were repeated attempts to assassinate me. Wherever I went I had to sit with my back to the wall and my hand on my six-shooter. I received 20 and 30 letters a day in which I was threatened with all manner of deaths. Some threatened to waylay and strangle me; others to string me up to the nearest post, and still others to tie me to a horse's tail and drag me around the streets of Havana. Five Spanish women called at my office one afternoon and handed me a letter from some Spanish officers in which they threatened to come to my office, tie me hand and feet, put me aboard the Maine and drive me out of the harbor.

When some of these reports were current a man came into my office one day with the purpose, as I thought, of killing me. He moved toward me inch by inch, and, just as he came within reach I had him covered with my gun. I asked him what he wanted and, to my surprise, he said in English: "I have just come from Gen. Gomez's camp, suffering from a wound in the thigh. I want to go back to the United States." I asked him where he came from and he said, in the drawliest kind of a way, "from Kansas." That man was Gen. Frederick Funston. So you see I had much to do with the later capture of Aguinaldo.

Gen. Lee then related the incident that followed the blowing up of the battleship Maine and told of Gen. Blanco's actions after the catastrophe.

Gen. Blanco and his officers had no more to do with the blowing up of the Maine than had the people of New York city. It is my belief that some of the young officers left in the arsenal by Gen. Weyler blew up the Maine.

In conclusion, Gen. Lee advocated an increase of the navy owing to the growing interests of the United States and because "in view of recent events we may be in deep water before we know it."

PRINCETON WINS DEBATE

Harvard Is Unable to Combat Her Arguments—Pennsylvania Defeats Cornell Orators.

PRINCETON, N. J., Dec. 12.—The ninth annual Princeton-Harvard debate, held here tonight, was won by Princeton. Harvard proved strong in her first speeches, but failed to successfully rebut her opponents on argument. The question debated was: "Resolved, That whenever in the event of continued domestic violence lives and property are not adequately protected by a state, it is for the public good that the president should have the power to afford protection without the application of the state for federal aid."

Princeton had the affirmative.

ITHACA, N. Y., Dec. 12.—The Cornell-Pennsylvania debate at the Lyceum theater tonight was won by Pennsylvania.

The subject was: "Resolved, That the present tariff on raw materials and rough products of iron and steel, such as pig iron, bar iron, rails and steel ingots, is justified on the ground of protection of American industry against foreign competition."

Pennsylvania had the negative.

SUIT DISMISSED.

Justice Bischoff Decides Pittsburgh Amusement Company Had No Case Against Ferguson.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—(Special.)—The case of the Pittsburgh Amusement Company vs. Walter Ferguson, heard by Justice Bischoff today, in which the vaudeville trust indirectly tried to acquire a piece of property in Pittsburgh for a theater, was today dismissed by the justice.

The Pittsburgh Amusement Company will now, it is said, proceed against Ferguson for breach of contract involving $100,000 damages. The case was tried in New York because both parties are residents here. According to the testimony of the plaintiff, Walter Ferguson, owner of a large piece of property adjoining the Duquesne theater in Pittsburgh, agreed on August 7, 1900, to transfer his holding to the Pittsburgh Amusement Company, which desired the property for the erection of a theater to be devoted to the interests of the vaudeville trust. Vaudeville experts also figured prominently, among them Dan Henessey and Dave Henderson, well known in Pittsburgh.

Negro Stabs Another.

George Easton of Water and Ferry streets and William Hogan of Beltzhoover were locked up in Central station early this morning on a charge of being suspicious persons. Easton and Hogan were fighting on Wylie avenue and Hogan was cut in the side with a knife. He was taken to the Homeopathic hospital and had his wounds dressed and was then taken to the lockup. Both men are colored.

Arm, Leg and Skull Fractured.

Walter Stewart, 2 years old, of Homestead, was fatally injured last night in the yards of the Carnegie Steel Company at Homestead. He was a hooker and was run down by a locomotive in the yards. He was taken to Mercy hospital, where, it is said, he cannot recover. He received a fractured arm, leg and skull.

Injured by His Countrymen.

Michael Milacha is at Mercy hospital with the back of his head badly injured as a result of a fight in Second avenue, Soho, last night with three foreigners. Michael Schich, who is alleged to have injured Milacha, and Michael Ancho are locked up in No. 4 police station on a charge of participating in the fight. Milacha will recover.

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PEACE.

GOTHAM RECEIVES HER CHRISTMAS GIFT TODAY

First of 65 Carnegie Libraries in Greater New York to Be Dedicated.

The Pittsburgh Gazette Bureau,
Herald Building, Herald Square,
NEW YORK, Dec. 12.

Father Knickerbocker will receive his Christmas gift from Andrew Carnegie tomorrow afternoon when the first Carnegie library building will be dedicated. Simple and unostentatious exercises will mark the transfer of the first of 65 libraries given by Mr. Carnegie to the city.

On ground furnished by the New York public library at Nos. 222 and 224 East Seventy-ninth street a handsome structure of Indiana limestone has been erected at a cost of $700,000. Absolutely fireproof and containing all of the requirements of a modern library, the building and its equipment will serve as a model for the many libraries that are to be erected as the result of Mr. Carnegie's donations throughout the country. The building is from designs by the late James Brown Lord.

Jacob A. Cantor, president of the borough, will preside at the exercises. Arthur Bostwick, chief of the circulating department of the New York public library, will make the opening address. Mr. Carnegie will have something to say and Lewis Cass Ledyard will speak on behalf of the trustees of the public library.

The College Point, Astoria and Far Rockaway sites for the new libraries have been approved by the board of estimate and apportionment and are now under the control of the Carnegie library committee. The College Point site on Thirteenth street is about a block away from the trolley car line. It is centrally located for the present and for the future growth of the town. It was a gift to the city by the residents of the place. A building to cost $20,000 will be erected there, and it is expected to have it completed before the end of December, 1903.

HE MADE ALLEGHENY HIS HEADQUARTERS

Harry Williams, alias Cedar Ross, who was arrested Thursday afternoon after having robbed and assaulted Henry Kleiman in his store at No. 714 Cedar avenue, Allegheny, is still confined in the Central police station of that city. The police officials decided not to arraign him for a hearing yesterday morning, as they were under the impression that he would divulge the names of his comrades and also confess to a number of robberies recently committed in Allegheny and vicinity.

The police officials will probably keep him confined in the Central station for several days. According to the confessions of Williams, he has been in Allegheny for several months, having made that place his home, like scores of other thieves. He was frequently seen in Allegheny by the Pittsburgh detectives. Williams was arrested in New Castle recently for picking pockets at Cascade park. He was indicted in the Lawrence county courts and gave bail for trial. Sheriff Brown yesterday telegraphed Superintendent of Police Henry Muth of Allegheny, telling him he would send an officer to that city to take Williams back to Lawrence county. As Williams will probably receive a long term of imprisonment for his crime on Thursday, he will not be taken to Lawrence county, where he could not be given a severe sentence.

EARL GOT A REBUFF.

Titled Englishman Not Permitted Behind the Scenes at the Alvin.

The earl of Yarmouth, an English nobleman, was in this city several days during the early part of the week. He is traveling under the assumed name of Eric Hope. He tried to over-step one of the rules at the Alvin theater on Wednesday night, when he met with a rebuff from Manager Thomas Kirk. The earl, who is an actor, attended the show with a party of prominent Alleghenians, and recognizing in the cast Miss May Robson, an intimate friend, he requested that he be taken behind the wings to see her.

Manager Kirk sent word to the earl in the box that no one was permitted behind the scenes during the performance. Manager Stevens of the "Billionaire" company was appealed to but had no authority to give the earl permission.

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DESTRUCTION OF LA GUAYRA THREATENED

Continued from First Page.

ela, I understand, were arrested last evening. I shall see the president and urge him to release them today.

The second dispatch is dated Caracas, December 11, and says:

The president informs me that he has released all the German and British subjects who were arrested.

PORT OF SPAIN, TRINIDAD, Dec. 12.—Advices have been received showing that Great Britain and Germany will now resort to a more drastic course to force Venezuela to pay her debts. This will be the blockading of the Venezuelan coast, which may be inaugurated tomorrow. The British warships will establish a blockade from the Orinoco river to La Guayra, while the German vessels will attend to the coast from La Guayra to the Colombian line.

It is not likely that Great Britain and Germany will land forces in Venezuela before reinforcements arrive. At present the greatest number of men that the allied ships could spare to send ashore is 3,000.

Castro Changes Front.

CARACAS, VENEZUELA, Dec. 12.—From a thoroughly reliable source I have been informed that as the result of the conferences yesterday and today the United States minister, Mr. Bowen, has convinced President Castro of the advisability of agreeing to arbitration for the settlement of the difficulties with Great Britain and Germany.

President Castro was intractable yesterday, but Minister Bowen renewed the conferences today with such vigor that he obtained the approval of the Venezuelan president to enter into negotiations through the state department at Washington with the courts of St. James and Berlin looking to such a peaceful issue. There is hope that this solution is possible, the fear being that it may be too late, owing to the acts of the allied powers in treating Venezuelan soil, in the opinion of Venezuelans, as conquered territory.

In order to increase the militia President Castro has directed the enrollment of all men from 18 to 50 years old. All confiscated properties, even those of Gen. Matos and of the German Blanco family, recently seized, have been restored to their owners.

Other Republics Alarmed.

BUENOS AYRES, ARGENTINA, Dec. 12.—All newspapers here see in the Anglo-German intervention in Venezuela a danger for all South American republics, as it tends to establish a precedent endangering their sovereignty. The general opinion is that the investment of foreign capital, though desirable for the development of the countries, cannot give foreigners special rights. Some papers compare actual intervention with recent events in China.

The Prensa says: "The Anglo-German military action has violated the rights and disregards the sovereignty of South American republics." It adds that the German claims as a public debt are without precedent in the history of South America.

RIO JANEIRO, BRAZIL, Dec. 12.—All of the newspapers here side with Venezuela. A Notizia, the government organ, says: "The Anglo-German intervention in Venezuela tends to modify the relations between Europe and America." It concludes by saying that the firm and noble attitude of President Castro cannot be but admired by all true Americans.

VALPARAISO, CHILI, Dec. 12.—Newspapers here are not generally commenting on the Venezuelan conflict. The Mercurio, however, had editorials today which supports the Anglo-German intervention and praises the United States attitude. It laments the failure of some South American republics to meet foreign obligations. The people here are indifferent regarding the Venezuelan situation.

Rheumatism

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OCEAN FIGHTS AGAINST CABLE

Attempt to Make Shore Connection at San Francisco Stopped by Surf.

GREAT CROWD IS OUT

Thousands of People Watch the Work—Horses Stampede and Small Panic Occurs—Mackay Knocked Down by Rope.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12.—An unsuccessful attempt was made today to lay the shore end of the Pacific cable.

A strong unfavorable tide was the chief cause of the failure and minor casualties marked the efforts of the workmen at the shore end, one of the victims being no less a personage than Clarence H. Mackay, president of the Commercial Cable Company, who was not seriously Cable Company, who was knocked down by a rope. The occasion was made the cause for a semi-holiday. Fully 25,000 people gathered at the beach, one-half of them school children, to witness the beginning of the cable laying.

There was a cheer from the crowd as the men met the breakers, and that cheer frightened the horses. The team broke away from the driver and with the boat carriage dragging after it plunged into the crowd gathered on the beach.

Several children were knocked down in the scramble to get out of the way of the maddened horses, but the animals were caught before serious injury had been done.

After several attempts, the life saving crew succeeded in getting ashore a hawser to which was attached the cable. A wait of four and a half hours for water was had before an attempt was made to draw the cable ashore. The hawser sagged so that it was impossible to draw it ashore through the strong tide.

THE WAREHOUSE WAS BURNED TO GROUND

Thirty-Third Street Structure of Crucible Steel Company.

The warehouse of the Park Bros. plant of the Crucible Steel Company of America at Thirty-first and Smallman street was totally destroyed by fire at 10:30 o'clock last night, causing a loss of $18,000. James Gillespie, a hoseman of engine company No. 7, was slightly injured.

The blaze is supposed to have been caused by crossed electric wires, which produced sparks, igniting a quantity of waste stored in the building. When the fire was discovered by Superintendent Edward E. Armstrong and Special Officer John H. Savage, the entire structure was enveloped in flames, which rose 50 feet about the roof. Savage turned in an alarm from box No. 142, and engine companies Nos. 7, 15 and 25 and hook and ladder truck F responded. So quickly had the blaze spread through the inflammable material that the warehouse was almost destroyed when the firemen reached the scene.

In taking in the first line of hose, a heavy beam fell among the firemen, striking Gillespie on the head. He was stunned and was obliged to leave, but later pluckily returned to his post. The building was a one-story structure, 50x80 feet, and was filled with mill material of all kinds. The loss is covered by insurance. The other portions of the mill were not damaged.

DENIALS MADE BY LABOR LEADERS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 12.—At the meeting of the senate committee on education and labor today, James O'Connell, president of the International Association of Machinists, referred to a statement made before the committee yesterday by J. H. Mull, assistant manager at Cramps' shipyard, Philadelphia, that members of the International Association of Machinists had tried to destroy the machinery of the battleship Alabama and the transport Thomas while they were undergoing repairs in the Cramps yard. Mr. O'Connell said that nothing of the kind had ever been brought to his attention, and he did not believe that it ever occurred. Samuel Gompers denied a statement made by Mr. Mull yesterday and by Judge Payson today, alleging that the International Association of Machinists had attempted to precipitate a strike in the Cramp shipyards during the Spanish war while government warships were being fitted out, and that some of the labor men had attempted to tamper with the machinery of a transport.

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UNTOWARD DEATHS.

Body in the River—Fatality from a Fall—Killed by Street Car.

The body of an unknown white man was found yesterday afternoon in the Allegheny river near the Point bridge by George Fitzsimmons, a deckhand on the steamer Clifton. His clothing indicates that he was a laborer, but nothing was found to identify him. He had apparently been in the water but a short time. He was about 40 years old, weighed about 150 pounds, and was about 5 feet 9 inches tall. He had sandy hair.

George Wesley died yesterday morning in the McKeesport hospital from a fractured skull, received two days ago by a fall on the Dravosburg bridge. Wesley was working on an electric light cable when the cross-arm broke and he fell to the floor of the bridge. He was married and lived in Homestead.

An unknown white man was struck by a Braddock car in Second avenue near lock No. 1 last night and died of his injuries at the Homeopathic hospital at 10 o'clock. He was about 35 years old, and there was nothing on his clothes by which he could be identified.

Young Attorney Wedded.

WASHINGTON, PA., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—An event of interest to Washington society was the wedding tonight of Miss Rachel May Tayler and William M. Craft, a prominent young attorney of the local bar. Miss Mary Wenshall of Washington was bridesmaid and Edgar S. Craft of the East End, Pittsburgh, was best man.

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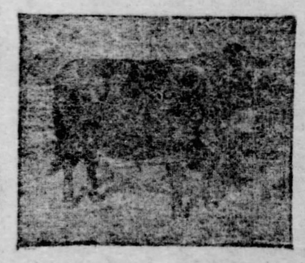

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Republicans Will Elect Delegates on First Saturday of January.

CANDIDATE IS SELECTED

M. G. Leslie Says Organization Has Picked Its Nominee for Recorder—Committee Named to Assist Chairman J. O. Brown.

The old organization has thrown out a skirmish line for its third and probably last battle. The city committee has fixed January 3 as the date of the primaries and appointed an advisory board to assist Chairman J. O. Brown in the conduct of the campaign. Some of the leaders say that there is to be a fight, but others are firm in the belief that peace will be declared before a shot is fired.

Mr. G. Leslie says that the organization has selected its standard bearer, and within a few days his name will be made public. It is promised that he will not be a politician, but a man of business. The names of District Attorney John C. Haymaker, Col. A. J. Logan and Robert D. McGonnigle are prominently mentioned, but there may be a dark horse in the stable.

The representatives of the city committee who gathered in the abandoned church in Sixth avenue last night were not fire-eaters. The "boys" were in charge, and they moved cautiously. Chairman J. O. Brown had promised to be present, but at 6 o'clock his physician, according to Apologist M. G. Leslie, forbade him to venture out. The author of "The Criminal Rich" and other literary treats during the "Muddy Water" campaign, also found the evening too damp to leave the "watch tower." Another of the "front row" men who was missing was Clarence Burleigh, who has molded many machine bullets. The seat of John Upperman was also marked vacant.

Boys Followed Program.

While none of the leading powers of the throne-room were present, a carefully prepared program had been arranged for the boys. It was carried out to the letter, and when it had been finished, a scion of the house of Flinn moved "that we now adjourn." M. G. Leslie was in the chair and Robert Ostermaier had charge of the records. The chairman told the committee of Mr. Brown's illness and of the doctor's refusal to allow him to venture out.

Senator W. A. Magee presented the report of the committee on revision of the rules. It set forth that the committee had found that the rules needed general revision and asked for an extension of time to do the work. The only change being made at this time is in rule 8, which provides for primaries on the third Saturday of January for the nomination of councilmen and ward officers. It is proposed to make the date the first Saturday in January. The change cannot be acted upon until Monday night, when a meeting of the city committee will be held for that purpose.

David Wilbert followed by a resolution fixing the primaries for the election of delegates to a city convention, at which a candidate for recorder will be nominated. The primaries will be held January 3, between the hours of 4 and 7 o'clock p. m. The convention is to be held the following Tuesday.

Senator Magee put in the resolution for the advisory board for Chairman Brown. It named these men as the campaign committee: J. O. Brown, Robert Ostermaier, Thomas G. McClure, M. G. Leslie, John Upperman, A. J. Barchfeld, Joseph G. Armstrong, Arch Mackrell and W. A. Magee.

Thomas W. Davis of the Thirteenth ward wanted the committee enlarged to include Harry Chalmers. He said that the hill should have representation.

Senator Magee said that the purpose of the committee is to provide help for Chairman Brown. "The impression is abroad in some quarters," said he, "that the organization does not intend to make a fight. For my part, and I believe I express the opinion of many others, there is as much desire for a contest in February as ever before. We all know that our opponents are well organized and fortified. I believe that our organization should give more assistance to the chairman. He is not a well man. In addition, he is recorder of Pittsburgh, and much of his time is required to look after the business of the city. As he is not present tonight, I have undertaken to name a suitable committee."

Davis insisted on Chalmers being added, but was voted down by 17 to 7.

Beinhauer Was Active.

F. C. Beinhauer said that the organization was on the eve of an important election and a solid platform should be prepared for its candidate for recorder to stand upon. He thought a committee of 12 should be named to build a platform. Chairman Leslie informed him that the campaign committee would be the architect of this structure, and Mr. Beinhauer said that he was satisfied. He then succeeded in having this resolution adopted:

"Whereas, It appears from the reports of the press that Pittsburgh councils are retarding the progress of railroad competition,

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The first meeting of the campaign committee will be held at headquarters today.

The Republican city committee of McKeesport last night set the date for the primaries as Saturday, January 17. J. Denny O'Neil presided at the meeting.

SCHWAB REMEMBERS POOR OF OLD HOME

With His Wife He Plans Christmas Treat for Braddock and Homestead.

Oliver Wrenn, private secretary to Charles M. Schwab, arrived in Braddock yesterday afternoon and announced to a number of representative business men that he had come in behalf of Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Schwab to arrange for a Christmas treat for all the worthy poor of Braddock, North Braddock, Rankin, Homestead and other surrounding towns. Mr. Wrenn explained Mr. and Mrs. Schwab's plan for making scores of families happy at Christmas time, and the suggestions show that while they are enjoying themselves in a different hemisphere, they do not forget their less fortunate friends at home.

The committee to which Mr. Wrenn outlined the plan was composed of Chief of Police William Bennett, John Loughead, Lewis F. Holtzman and Joseph Petty. He suggested that a meeting of all the ministers in the vicinity be called for next Monday evening, and plans arranged for distributing the gifts. The meeting will be held in the council chamber of Braddock borough and the amount to be given to each person will then be made known.

After leaving Braddock Mr. Wrenn went to Homestead, where he will hold a meeting with a number of citizens of that place today for a similar distribution of Mr. and Mrs. Schwab's gifts there.

Mr. Wrenn denied the reports about the serious illness of Mr. Schwab. He stated that he had heard from Mr. Schwab a few days ago, and that he wrote that he was regaining his former health rapidly. Mr. Schwab stated that the best part of the information regarding his health was that he knew he was gaining, and that he did not need his physician to tell him so. Mr. Schwab's parents from Loretto, Mr. and Mrs. John Schwab, and Mrs. Schwab's mother, Mrs. Mary E. Minsey, and the latter's son-in-law, Thomas G. Wagner of Braddock, are in the party. Mr. Wrenn said that Mr. Schwab expects to reach New York shortly after New Year's to take up his duties again.

THE WEATHER.

The damp weather of yesterday will continue today, according to the forecast of the Washington weather observer, whose prediction is for either rain or snow in Pittsburgh today and snow tomorrow. Yesterday there was a decided fall in the temperature, the maximum being 20 degrees lower than on the preceding day. Yesterday's maximum was only two degrees higher than the minimum. The rainfall amounted to .28 of an inch.

Unsettled.

The Gazette weather service thermometers at Kaufmann's corner at the following hours yesterday registered:

12 noon.....34 deg. 8 p. m.....34 deg.
4 p. m.....32 deg. 12 midnight...28 deg.

Time of sunrise today ..... 7:16 a. m.
Time of sunset today ..... 4:33 p. m.

Daily report for yesterday furnished by United States weather bureau:

Time.	Bar.	Tem.	Hum.	Wind.	Weather.
8 a. m....	30.10	32	81	S.E.	Rain
8 p. m....	30.00	34	86	S.E.	Rain

Comparative temperature and precipitation for December 12:

	1901	1900	1899	1898	1897	1896
Maximum	50	42	65	37	45	60
Minimum	36	20	42	25	40	20
Mean	43	31	54	31	42	39
Precipitation	0	T.	.71	.08	.05	0

Maximum temperature (8 p. m.)	34
Minimum temperature (8 a. m.)	32
Mean temperature	33
Normal temperature (for 31 years)	37
Deficiency in temperature for the day	4
Deficiency in temperature since Dec. 1	28
Excess in temperature since Jan. 1	184
Normal precipitation (for 31 years)	.09
Precipitation for the day	.28
Excess in the precipitation for the day	.09
Deficiency in precipitation since Dec. 1	.37
Deficiency in precipitation since Jan. 1	5.66

Government Weather Report.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Forecast:

Western Pennsylvania—Rain or snow in south; snow in north portion Saturday; brisk to high northwest winds; Sunday, snow.

Ohio—Snow in north; rain or snow in south portion Saturday; brisk to high north winds, Sunday, fair.

West Virginia—Rain or snow Saturday; Sunday, fair.

Observations taken at weather bureau stations at 8 p. m.:

Pittsburgh	34	Rain	St. Paul	16	Clear
Indianapolis	32	Rain	Cincinnati	32	Rain
Columbus	36	Rain	Parkersburg	34	Rain
Cairo	44	Rain	Louisville	38	Cloudy
Kan. City	30	Rain	Vicksburg	64	Cloudy
Oklahoma	34	Cloudy	Memphis	62	Rain
Chicago	28	Cloudy	Wash. D. C.	32	Rain
D. Moines	28	Cloudy	N. Orleans	64	Cloudy
Denver	32	PtCldy	Philadelphia	30	Rain
Omaha	24	Snow	Buffalo	16	Snow
Takeville	64	PtCldy	Cleveland	22	Cloudy
Marquet	20	Clear			

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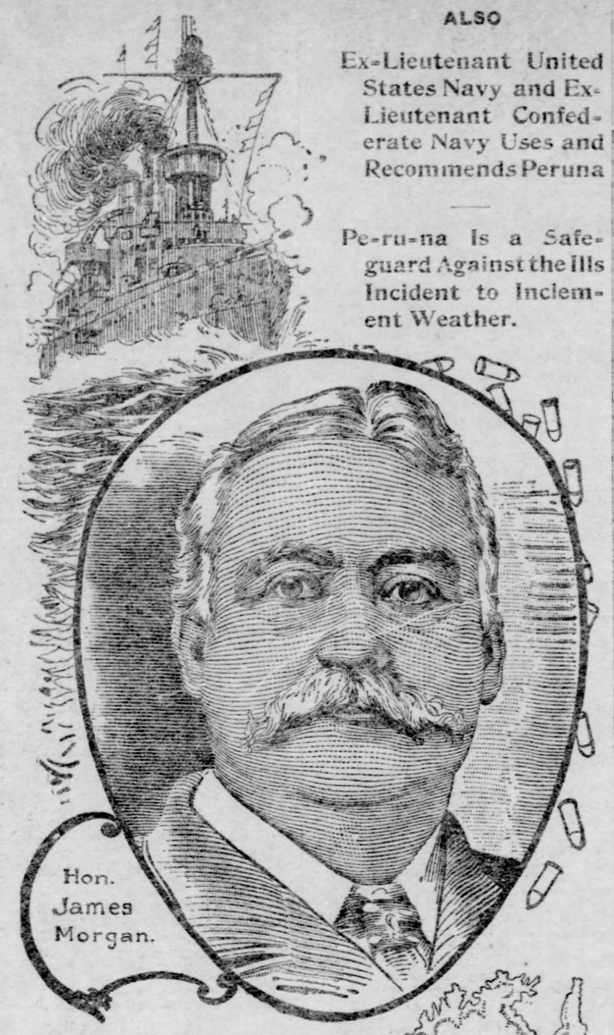

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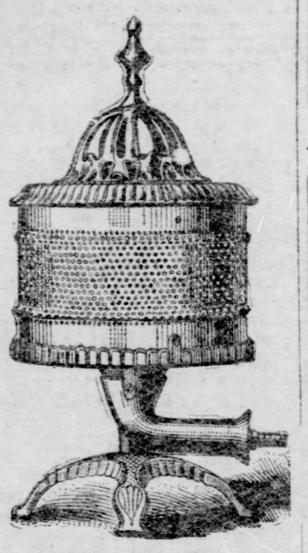

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At Berlin the report of the sinking of three Venezuelan vessels is doubted. It is said no naval orders were issued contemplating the destruction of seized ships and German officials decline to believe Caracas reports until confirmed by advices from their own representatives. This attitude indicates German belief that unreliable reports may be sent broadcast to arouse hostile sentiment on the part of people of other countries and at the same time is an admission that the sinking of the ships, if the report be true, was an unwarranted severity. This view has been widely taken in this country and it has been even suggested that Venezuela would have just ground to set up a counter claim for damages.

It is also notable that the German press, particularly that portion having government connections, is emphatic in prising the actions of American Minister Bowen, and in declaring that Germany intends to be very careful to not infringe upon the Monroe doctrine as construed by the state department at Washington. In fact, the German press comment is of a character calculated to assure the United States of the utmost consideration for its interest in the matter. This is in line with the understanding at Washington. The evidence that it represents real German official sentiment is to be found in the fact that all of the German naval vessels in South American waters would be no match for a single one of Admiral Dewey's warships engaged in the maneuvers about Porto Rico. If Germany meant any mischief it would send a force of some consequence to the scene.

The annual meeting of the National Civil Service Reform league at Philadelphia was somewhat in the nature of a jubilee. The resolutions congratulate the country upon things that have been done to a greater extent than they make recommendations for the future. The league appears well satisfied with the present conduct of affairs at Washington and particularly commends the promotions in the diplomatic and consular service, in accord with the merit system, but not required by law. Some of the recommendations are good. This is especially true of that for the extension of the civil service rules to the consular service, which has been frequently urged. This service is too important to be left to accident, but should have the very best obtainable material at its command. The commerce of the country depends much upon the quality of the consular service.

Our Washington correspondent finds small hope for the adoption of Representative Bromwell's bill, appropriating $200,000 for the survey of the Ohio river from the Miami to the Mississippi. Chairman Burton of the rivers and harbors committee remains hostile and other members of the committee are opposed to the measure. One of these has said to our correspondent that it is presumptuous to ask for the Ohio two-thirds of the total appropriation for surveys, which is usually $300,000. This is nonsense, of course. There is no limit upon the amount that could be appropriated for surveys, so the Ohio river people are not asking for anybody else's share. They may in justice demand more than any other waterway, for they have been too long neglected, but they are not making that demand. Mr. Bromwell's bill simply provides for a proper expenditure preliminary to one of the most important improvements that can be made at the public expense. The most unfortunate aspect of the case is that Representative Burton, who is using his position to defeat Ohio improvement, is likely to be named by the new speaker to be again chairman of the rivers and harbors committee, so he may continue his opposition for another two years.

An important statement has been made by Senor Schotbergh, Venezuelan consul at London, concerning his country's efforts to raise funds to meet the British and German claims. According to this statement, Venezuela was really trying to raise money for the purpose and it is supported by the known fact of Seligman's connection with the proposed financing. The intent of the statement apparently is to convict the powers of hasty action in beginning a demonstration before Venezuela had time to make arrangements. It must be remembered, however, that a large part of the claims are for interest upon a $10,000,000 loan, defaulted for four years. Venezuela in trying to borrow money to pay interest was engaged in a transaction of doubtful financial character, similar to the notorious blind-pool operations in which fresh margins are used to pay profits to prior investors. Continued indefinitely this process would lead to certain bankruptcy. So it may be said the onslaught of England and Germany may teach Venezuela a valuable lesson, even if now the powers decide to take a new promise to pay in lieu of actual payment, for they have made it plain that a collection day must come sooner or later that Venezuela must be prepared to meet.

Figures compiled by the state bureau of railroad statistics are highly instructive as to the capitalization of franchises by street railways. They show the capitalization of the street railways of Pennsylvania to be more than double the average cost of the steam railroads of the country. They also indicate that bonds have been issued equal to the entire cost of construction and equipment, leaving the stocks to represent the value of franchises and earning power based upon them. Heretofore these valuable franchises, at least in Pittsburgh and Allegheny, have been granted gratis. They have been private gain to those fortunate enough to secure them at public expense. On this fact is based the loud public demand for compensation for the privileges cities have to bestow—something approaching a fair return for the use of public property. The people are awakening to the fact that revenue from such sources is essential to progressive civic management if the direct taxpayer is not to be overburdened paying for improvements.

With the first sleet storm of the season the new electrical installation on the Manhattan elevated railroad in New York has proven unsatisfactory. The ice coating on the third rail, through which the energy is conducted, prevented proper contact of the brush, so many trains were stalled. Much inconvenience resulted and the new traction was widely denounced by passengers as a failure. This is a hasty conclusion. The defect is not vital. It will be easy to adjust a scraper on each car, ahead of the brush, that will remove the icy insulation. This will cost something, but not a sum at which the Manhattan should hesitate. Pittsburgh does not take little things of that sort as seriously as New York, either because the people are better natured or because they are more accustomed to imperfect transit service.

The start upon the Commercial Company's Pacific cable was made the occasion for an enthusiastic gathering at San Francisco yesterday, but wind and tide balked the effort to land the American end. That is a mere incident. The landing will be tried again today, and if effected the Silvertown will at once sail toward Hawaii, paying out the strand that will bring that distant island into close communication with the continent. Later it will be carried to Manila, connecting the farthest possessions of the United States with the main country by an all-American tie. It is an enterprise of great importance to this country, which is cultivating relations with the orient and building up a commerce across the wide ocean. Whether trade follows the flag or not may be questioned, but trade undoubtedly follows the lines of submarine cables, and this one should materially assist American manufacturers to get their share in China. Besides, it will be of marked advantage to the government in its relations with the Philippine archipelago.

WHAT ONE CITY HAS DONE.

It will be seen from an article which appears in our news columns this morning that there is at least one American city which is thoroughly satisfied with the workings of its system of government. The present situation in Baltimore is attracting the attention of students of municipal government all over the country, so we sent a staff correspondent to look into affairs there to see whether any light was to be obtained for our own municipal guidance. The facts ascertained are really marvelous. Only a few years ago Baltimore was groaning under a heavy bonded debt, a big floating debt was a regular feature of the municipal situation, the tax rate was assuming the proportions of a confiscation of income, and now all this is changed as if by magic. There is no floating debt, the administration of public affairs is economical and efficient, the tax rate is greatly reduced, school administration is taken entirely out of politics and a tone of civic pride and ambition pervades the entire community. It is as if a channel had been cut through a sour swamp, so that instead of malaria and vermin there is now a clear flowing stream bordered by gardens and fruitful fields.

It is specially interesting to note that this vast change is not to be attributed to any personal influence. It is a complete change of political conditions, exerting a remedial influence upon all operations of government and affecting the character and disposition of all public officials. There is no essential difference between Baltimore politicians and Pittsburgh politicians, and politicians run the government there as elsewhere. The mayor, although a man of character and principle, may be said to be a professional officeholder. The condition of municipal affairs seems to have been worse than any we have yet known in Pittsburgh, so that the desperate condition of affairs wrung from the politicians themselves is due to the new charter which has been so brilliantly successful.

The changes by which such great results have been accomplished are simple in principle and are readily applicable to the government of Pittsburgh or any other city. They are described in detail in our correspondent's article, but their essential purport is that they confine the city council strictly to legislation and debars it from participation in the actual work of administration. The new charter fixes responsibility upon the city council so that evasion is impossible. It is impossible to plug or hold up legislation without public scrutiny of every move in the game, and that is the secret of the immense change which has taken place in the whole tone and conduct of municipal politics. The public interest constantly predominates. Now that the change has taken place it is as gratifying to the politicians as it is to the public at large, and the restrictions to which the city council is subjected are now valued by members as a protection from pressure and annoyance. Baltimore now presents an object lesson in good government which will exercise an influence upon municipal methods everywhere.

THE BUSINESS SITUATION.

The stock and money market occupied so large a share of attention during the past week that there is a liability on the part of the public to improperly connect the course of events in Wall street with general business conditions. In order that there be no misunderstanding of the situation, it may be worth while to recall a little financial history.

During the past three years there has been an unprecedented output of stocks and bonds representing reorganized industrial enterprises. In 1900 this output exceeded $2,255,000,000; in 1901, $3,600,000,000, and for the eleven months of 1902, $2,500,000,000. A relatively small percentage of this eight billions of new securities represented additions of actual property value, although a very large percentage represented enhanced earning power during a period of unusual prosperity. Without discussing the quality of this financiering, we may point out its effect upon the present monetary situation.

The creation of this great mass of securities provided the means for increasing individual debt. To illustrate: While a plant is the property of an individual or of a small partnership, its value as security for banking credit is limited both as to the number of borrowers and the amount borrowed. When the same plant becomes a constituent in a large combination and stocks and bonds to several times its former nominal value are issued representing the same, these securities become available for collateral in loans. Financial underwriters are in the business of manufacturing securities for sale, just as a shoemaker, for instance, produces shoes for sale. They are usually paid for their services in shares of the corporation underwritten, and it is their business to "make a market" in which to sell their surplus product. Thus the representatives of property value—stocks and bonds—become distributed in the hands of the public and invariably find their way into bank as collateral for loans. Comptroller Ridgley estimates that the banks of the United States are at the present time loaning about $700,000,000 on stock and bond collateral. This brief explanation will show how it comes that there has been such a demand upon banking credit from a large part of the public which heretofore had been without the means to obtain the same.

With this situation in the loan market there recurs the season when what is designated as the legitimate demands of trade, as distinguished from the speculative demand, makes itself felt. To meet this demand the banks call in loans. If trade is active only in spots loans may be shifted from one monetary center to another, as was done early last spring, when Wall street bankers negotiated large loans abroad. If all sections of the country are at the same time active, and if the foreign lender insists upon payment, then speculative loans must be liquidated; in other words, the collateral must be sold in the open market for what it will bring. This is what is now occurring in the stock market. Speculative values may shrink as a result of the forced liquidation, and the process may have a sympathetic effect upon sound investment values, while at the same time the production and distribution of commodities, upon which the real value of all enterprise is based, may be going on undisturbed. In fact, under our governmental system of finance the very prosperity of trade, by producing surplus revenues, results in the withdrawal of money from circulation when it is most needed.

It is not in the nature of things that the prosperity of this country should continue from year to year without interruption. Reactions are bound to occur, and with our growing influence and power in the commercial and financial world will come the necessity for overcoming the obstacles that may be thrown in our way by foreign competitors; but there is nothing in present trade conditions which justifies the apprehension aroused by the shrinkage in stock market values.

THE FRANCHISE SNARL.

While President Ramsey has undoubtedly matter for complaint in the way the Wabash application has been treated, there is a tone of petulance in his latest statement that will be regarded by the public as undignified. Charges of undue influence are easily made, but unless proof can be produced it is hardly worth while to make them. There are better ways of passing upon franchises than those pursued in Pittsburgh and we hope to see a better way eventually adopted, but the matter is now being dealt with by the lawful authority in the regular way, and applicants must establish their case under existing conditions.

To speak plainly, the threat of abandoning the enterprise and selling the property acquired sounds rather childish. The alleged conflict of motives between the Wabash and the Pennsylvania railroads raises questions of fact which there are ways to determine. It is represented on the one hand that the Wabash wants a grade that will interfere with the Pennsylvania railroad, and on the other that the Pennsylvania wants a grade that will interfere with the Wabash. Here is an issue that cannot be disposed of by mutual recrimination, but it admits of expert inquiry and settlement. No one doubts that as an engineering proposition the interests of both roads can be accommodated. It is entirely proper for councils to have the city engineers examine into the matter and report upon it, or to engage other experts to perform that service. In view of the importance of the matter action of this kind ought to be taken.

The city needs all the transportation facilities it can obtain. The entrance of the Wabash railroad into the Pittsburgh district ought to be welcomed and facilitated. The improvements proposed by the Pennsylvania railroad ought to be welcomed and facilitated. But in both cases public interest should be safeguarded and due compensation exacted for any use of public property. The complication of interests which has occurred requires special care and even if it takes time councils should give the matter thorough consideration. The appointment of an expert commission to pass upon the conflicting claims would be a wise step to take.

TENANTS SEEKING FOR HOMES.

House hunters are already bestirring themselves, according to the statement of a Pittsburgh real estate dealer. Usually there is very little of this sort of hunting done until the new year has made itself quite at home and April 1 begins to loom large on the calendar. This year it is different. The demand for houses is already large. The authority referred to says that his firm has more applications for dwellings than ever before, and he expects a great deal of difficulty in housing prospective tenants when the moving season begins.

Persons who have gone up and down this great city of ours in recent years cannot have failed to be struck by the large amount of building that has gone forward. Large areas of vacant land have been built upon. Row after row of houses has been erected. The observer might have wondered if building were not being overdone. He might have supposed it impossible to find tenants to occupy them. But it appears that the supply has barely kept pace with the demand, with the prospect that the demand will overtake the supply.

Pittsburgh is increasing in population rapidly, and then, too, railway and other improvements have caused the razing of some dwellings, whose occupants must find other quarters. But the greater portion of the demand for houses comes from the increase in the population and the financial ability of tenants to occupy whole houses instead of doubling up, with two or more families in a house, as is the custom in times of depression. The extension of the house-hunting season is, therefore, another indication of prosperity.

Minister Bowen, representing the United States in Venezuela, and taking care of Great Britain and Germany on the side, has no sinecure just at present.

With his offices of president, secretary and treasurer of the National league, Col. Harry Pulliam comes near to being a baseball Pooh-Bah.

The exportation of dusky diamonds from Pittsburgh to Dixie will make a merry Christmas at both ends of the route.

It wasn't necessary for the New York reporters to ask Mr. Carnegie how he likes America.

Bargain hunters with cash to buy securities reveled in the stock market yesterday.

It won't be necessary to call out the militia to settle the baseball war.

There have been hot times in the stock market, which accounts for the melting away of prices.

A congestion of tenants is threatened.

THIRD RAIL FAILS AT CRITICAL TIME

Elevated Trains Delayed by Thin Coating of Ice on Power Conductor.

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
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It was well that the inutility of the "third rail" in a wintry storm should have been demonstrated so soon after putting the system in use on the elevated railroad. With only a certain proportion of the "L" trains running by electricity, the company was better able to meet the awkward conditions arising from the non-working of the apparatus than it would have been a month later. The sleet on the rails interfered with the contact of the electric "shoe" or "brush," and there was such a stalling of trains this morning as New York had never seen. How many thousands of people were late at their business through this failure of the "L" may never be known. It is known that the number was so large that it caused nearly a riot. Pandemonium prevailed all along the lines of the "L" on every division, and desperate battles, many times repeated, were in progress at every station. It must be remembered, too, that these brawls were between people of respectable appearance and decent upbringing. Under ordinary circumstances they would be ashamed to be concerned in such affrays; but when there are no trains available, and the time for being at the office or store has passed, with the clerk or proprietor far uptown, civilized decencies go to the winds. It is everyone for himself and the devil take the hindmost. The elevated railway company say they can make the electric system work satisfactorily in any kind of weather by attaching certain appliances, and that after the present bad spell of snow and ice, the electric trains will move as smoothly as ever the engine-drawn cars did, with more comfort than under the old arrangements. It must be confessed that there is not that general faith in these promises that their earnestness may warrant. Harlemites have become so used to delays in getting downtown that they are incredulous of great improvements in the service and have almost made up their minds to suffer as they did this morning for the rest of the winter. The "L" people may keep their word; everyone hopes they will.

Correspondents Off to the Front.

When the steamer Caracas leaves New York tomorrow for Venezuela it will take a full list of passengers. The knowledge that there is fighting down there has been quite enough to stir the adventurous spirit of many young Americans and several of the passengers of the ship are in hopes that they can mix up in the shindy. They understand that it is a free fight and they are going to break in if possible. Among the passengers on the Caracas will be Stephen Bonsal and Nicholas Biddle.

Slippery Streets Cause Trouble.

Staid men of business and women in winter furs sitting down suddenly in the streets were not uncommon incidents today. New Yorkers are always in a hurry, and even when the sidewalks and roadways are a glare of ice, as they were this morning, pedestrians will not pick their way with the care that conditions demand. One of the most painful happenings of that kind which came to my notice was when a handsomely-dressed young woman on her way to a theater last night slipped from the bottom step of a Broadway car at Thirtieth street and sat down plump in a quagmire of half-melted snow, ice and mud, in the middle of the road. She went down with such a bump that she seemed to shake the whole Tenderloin. She had a gentleman with her, and what she said to him as she limped across the street clutching his arm, while an enormous splotch of mud on the back of her fashionable black skirt glistened in the electric lights, can only be conjectured. More than one man on the car breathed a fervent thanksgiving that he was not in that fellow's shoes.

Partridge Did Good Work.

It is freely declared that if Police Commissioner John N. Partridge had delayed for half an hour the sending in of his resignation the City club would have demanded it from Mayor Low. Partridge says he has done good work in the year he has held the difficult position, and points to the record for proof. He says he is tired and needs rest and that his health is seriously impaired. Few men have suffered more criticism than has fallen to the commissioner, but the feeling of citizens in general is that he has done as well as anyone could with the material at his disposal. Within 10 minutes after his resignation there were names mentioned as those of his probable successor, and more of them come forward every half hour. The latest bulletin is that Ebstein, second deputy commissioner, is the most likely man.

Bike Race Nearing an End.

In 24 hours from the time that this is written the six-day bicycle race will be at an end. Nine teams are on the track, out of the 16 that started, which is not a bad showing, considering everything. These nine teams will no doubt finish, because the question of victory may not be settled until the last hour or two. With only one or two laps to the good, the winners cannot afford to take chances by leaving the track, and the others will keep in the race, hoping to win at the last minute. There were several "spills" today, but they did not amount to much. The person most hurt was the "publicity promoter," who finds it harder, day by day, to make the public take his weird tales of disaster with due seriousness.

Opening of the Flatiron.

Tomorrow morning will be opened what will probably be the most imposing cigar store in the world. It is on the street floor of the big Flatiron building at Fifth avenue, Broadway and Twenty-third street. It is mostly glass show windows and general gorgeousness. What the cigars and tobacco are like must be found out afterward, but assuredly the place in which they will be vended is palatial. Many of the offices upstairs have been tenanted for weeks, but tomorrow morning's opening will mark the beginning of business in the store rooms.

Coal Scarcity Being Abated.

It is pretty generally believed now that there has been no "corner" in coal to any appreciable extent. Scarcity of coal there has been and is, of course. That was expected, because the strike made it inevitable. But the situation gradually is improving, and it is believed that within a very short time there will be enough fuel for the city, and at reasonable prices, too. The Erie railroad has promised to ship 1,000 cars of coal from Pennsylvania daily, and if it is able to keep its word there will be no pinch at all in the course of a week or two. The snow may interfere, but barring that, there should be all the anthracite in the city that will be needed before the first of the year.

Passengers Do Not Fear the Sea.

The North German Lloyd steamship Kronprinz Wilhelm, which reached New York only last night, is preparing to sail again tomorrow for the other side. The great vessel was badly scarred by the battles of wind and wave through which she passed on her westbound voyage, but she has been patched up and will go forth tomorrow as proudly as ever. She was 94 hours late coming from Cherbourg, running at half speed most of the time. She will take back with her a large passenger list of people going to the old country to spend Christmas. Voyagers nowadays are not to be frightened by reports of hurricanes at sea. Faith in modern ships is almost boundless, and no one thinks seriously of danger when he starts on a trip across the Atlantic.

Brokers Thinking of Christmas.

There was a feeble attempt to get up a little excitement on the stock exchange today. Some large offerings of stocks caused a break, and for half an hour there was a wild scene on the floor. It subsided in time, and then affairs ran along in the calm, not to say sluggish, way they have for weeks. As a matter of fact, it seems as if thoughts of Christmas are busy in the minds of most of the brokers, and that a flurry of large proportions at this season would be looked on as nothing less than an impertinence.

Great Doings in Automobiles.

Even at this time there are indications that the automobile show at Madison Square garden, to open January 17, will be a big one. It is announced that all the available space has been taken already by 122 exhibitors, domestic and foreign. It is a fact that the automobile show is increasing in interest for the public year by year, and it is the hope of its promoters that it may in time become as prominent a social function as the horse show itself.

Marks of Fire Disappear.

It turned out that the new East river bridge was put back not more than two weeks by the big fire of a month or so ago. The Pennsylvania Steel Company has begun the construction of the central span, and all the damage done by the fire disappeared long ago. The central span will consist of about 8,600 tons of steel.

More Buildings to Scrape the Sky.

Skyscrapers continue to go up in the business district as well as uptown. The last one to be talked about will be at the northeast corner of Maiden Lane and Williams street, but will not be begun until the insurance company which owns the site has managed to acquire more land adjoining. After that a big office building will be erected, with tenants for most of the offices before the building is completed. It is only a few years since Williams street showed nothing but rows of small, old brick houses, rotting with age. Today it is a thoroughfare of skyscrapers for most of its length above Wall street, and before another 10 years have passed the high buildings will be continuous, at the present rate of progress.

Plucky Fellow Breaks a Hoodoo.

The case of Ralph Brandreth, Jr., who was told by physicians some time ago that he must die of brain trouble in a few weeks, but who was discharged from Bloomingdale asylum a day or two ago, has awakened much interest in New York. At the time Brandreth put himself under the care of brain specialists there was much learned disquisition in some of the papers here about the ability of physicians to detect a particular brain ailment by looking into the patient's eye. It was said that the sufferer might feel quite well and not have shown any symptoms of disease, but that the tell-tale eye meant speedy death, as sure as if his head were to be chopped off. Brandreth was declared to have the fatal eye, and he began to be uneasy. Being a plucky fellow, however, he said he was going to break the hoodoo, if it could be done, and it seems that he has done it. Once more, what about the fallibility of modern medical science?

Patrick's Fate Will Be Known Soon.

Patrick, the lawyer charged with murdering the old millionaire, William Marsh Rice, may soon know whether he is to have a new trial. He is in the death house at Sing Sing at present. His lawyers are fighting desperately for him, and Recorder Goff announced today that the hearing on the motion for the new trial will be completed on Tuesday next. Patrick's lawyers say they have much newly-discovered evidence and that they can easily prove their client's innocence. One of the witnesses today, an attendant at the morgue, testified that he heard Dr. Hamilton Williams, who assisted in the autopsy on Mr. Rice's body, remark that there was nothing to show that the old man died of anything other than natural causes.

New Idea in "Con" Profession.

One of the dodges of the cheerful "con" man is to sell "fake" saloons. The modus operandi is to obtain possession of a cheap saloon, fit it up extensively with colored bottles of water and sell it at a good price to the first "come-on" that can be roped in. It is a profitable calling so long as one can keep out of the hands of the police. Unfortunately for the professional gentlemen that have taken to this line of industry, the police have no sense of admiration for their cleverness, and one of them went to Sing Sing today for a year. GEORGE C. JENKS.

Pittsburghers in New York.

The following Pittsburghers are registered at the New York hotels today:

WALDORF ASTORIA.
D. Lloyd. W. C. Jutte.
Dr. L. W. Swope. Miss J. Jutte.
C. A. Rook. T. L. Gartner.
B. Thaw. G. E. Tener.
C. L. Taylor. B. Goldsmith.

MANHATTAN.
W. H. Burdett. Mrs. W. H. Burdett.

ROSSMORE.
D. M. Burns.

HERALD SQUARE.
S. H. Peters. C. W. Clark.

HOLLAND.
W. L. Brown. S. L. Fleischman.
D. F. Surry. Mrs. M. A. Verner
D. G. B. Surry.

STURTEVANT.
Miss M. Henderson. L. H. Gale.

VICTORIA.
J. P. McTighe.

FIFTH AVENUE.
A. H. Bowerman. Mrs. D. A. Nelson.
D. A. Nelson.

GRAND.
J. G. Vilsack.

CONTINENTAL.
C. Cohen.

EVERETT.
E. S. Irving.

BROADWAY CENTRAL.
H. G. Alpern.

ASTOR.
W. H. Bone.

MANY AID IN WORK.

Toy Mission Wants 5,000 Dolls—Sunday School's Novel Plan—Pathetic Cases Revealed.

Under the direction of Maj. R. W. A. Simmons the Toy mission is making wonderful progress in its efforts to bring happiness into the homes of 10,000 poor little children of Pittsburgh and Allegheny on Christmas. Hundreds of women throughout the city are dressing dolls, of which Maj. Simmons hopes to have 5,000 by Christmas.

One of the most novel features of the work this year has been introduced in the Sunday school of the Second Presbyterian church. On the Sunday before Christmas, when all the members will be anxious to attend and get their share of the annual Christmas treat an admission of one doll will be charged and the proceeds will be turned over to the mission. In many of the downtown office buildings the stenographers and women employes are putting in their spare moments dressing dolls. The women of the Fourth Avenue Baptist church had an all-day dressing bee yesterday for the Toy mission.

On the blanks sent out to find the deserving poor, for a visit from the mission's wagons on Christmas eve, there is a line left for describing the circumstances of the family recommended. Some of the sentences written there tell a pathetic story. A few picked at random are: "Five years old, sick with typhoid fever;" "Harry and James, cousins, have both limbs off close to their hips;" "Widow with six children;" "Mother washes to support four children;" "Mother dead; two little girls 10 and 12 years old try to keep house;" "Father dead; boys, 14 and 12, earning the living."

PERSONALS

Col. E. D. Brush, commander of Maj. W. G. Lowry post, No. 548, Grand Army of the Republic, of Wilkinsburg, has been appointed by Commander-in-Chief Thomas J. Stewart of the Grand Army of the Republic to the position of inspector general. Col. Brush is chancellor commander of Invincibles, No. 114, Knights of Pythias; treasurer of Company 38, Uniform Rank, Knights of Pythias; past grand officer of Brushton lodge, No. 1107, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and of Protective Home Circle of the East End; past archon of the East End conclave, Independent Order of Heptasophs; member of the Allegheny County G. A. R. association and secretary of War Veterans' Club of Pennsylvania. He is a son of the late Hon. Jared M. Brush, former mayor of Pittsburgh. He was born in Pittsburgh and has held several important positions of trust with credit. He now occupies a place in the office of the county commissioners.

The Hon. W. A. Day, assistant to Attorney General Knox, passed through the city to Chicago last night to take up the briefs in the beef trust cases. While in Chicago he will confer with the local United States attorneys and examine the evidence they have accumulated. While waiting for his train to be made up he chatted freely with the newspaper men, but gave them very little information. "You Know," he said, "I am connected with the law department of the government, and we are always short on news. No, I don't think there will be any new legislation passed at this session of congress, but the next session promises to be interesting. The Venezuelan question will be amicably settled within a short time."

W. A. Scott and E. D. Smith, assistant general passenger agent of the Baltimore & Ohio, left last night for Washington, D. C., where they will today meet Secretary Root to discuss the proposed Somerset army camp site. By a resolution of the senate, introduced by Senator Quay, this matter was referred to the secretary of war, and the date for meeting that official was set for today. Both Mr. Scott and Mr. Smith are confident of the site being adopted.

Two gunny sacks containing about $15,000 in gold went from Pittsburgh to Ohio yesterday. They were taken from two Pittsburgh banks as a Christmas offering to the men employed by the United States Fire Proofing Company at Lisbon and Salineville. W. A. Weaver, general manager of the corporation, thought that the Christmas pay of the employes should be in gold.

"This was the best season I have ever had," said J. H. Meacham, a representative of one of the leading wholesale toy dealers of New York. I started west in August, and went as far as the Pacific coast. I have sold more toys in Pittsburgh this season than ever before during my 23 years on the road. Prosperity met me everywhere on my way west.

A. J. Shortall of Pottsville and H. J. Muldoon of Shenandoah are at the Seventh Avenue hotel. Mr. Shortall is a relative of Constable Shortall of Shenandoah, who made several fruitless attempts to arrest Private Wadsworth of the Eighteenth infantry while on duty in the anthracite coal country.

Prof. E. Rynearson, director of Pittsburgh high schools, received a letter from Prof. C. B. Wood, who is at Colorado Springs, Col., saying that he bought a a fine horse with the money sent him by the High school faculty.

Neighbors Visiting Pittsburgh.

Among those at the leading hotels last night were the following persons from nearby points:

Victoria—A. M. Johnston, E. Lane, Youngstown; Charles Stutzman, Youngstown; C. K. Chapman, Harrisville; I. C. Snyder, Greensburg.

Seventh Avenue—W. R. Sterling, Wellsburg; J. D. Wilson, Indiana; R. S. Tomb, Johnstown; W. A. Andrews, Rushsylvania, O.; Charles Waldron, Munsy; S. M. Smith, J. F. Pauley, Waynesburg; J. W. Robinson, Bolivar.

Griswold—F. R. Kelley, Cambridge Springs; C. E. Smith, J. R. Acker, Steubenville; John Kinsely, Bellefonte.

Monongahela—W. H. McDonald, Youngstown; H. C. Greer, New Castle, Pa.; J. H. Stewart, Morgantown; I. R. Laughrey, Dawson.

Lincoln—E. N. Bush, New Brighton; P. P. Morris, Girard, O.; N. McConnell, Donora; J. L. Harrington, Youngstown.

Duquesne—W. S. Kilgore, Altoona; Warren McCurry, Butler; R. B. Drum, California, Pa.; A. W. Fleming, Dayton.

Henry—C. E. Lenharts, Uniontown; W. J. Steele, Canton; E. D. Ludwig, Erie; W. W. Blake, Altoona; T. B. Wood, Sharon.

Newell—D. D. Ramsay, Bolivar; H. M. Polson, O. L. Badger, Wheeling; T. J. Brophy, Altoona.

THE DEATH ROLL.

James Harvey Mathes.

James Harvey Mathes, a prominent southern author and newspaper man, died at Riverside, Cal., Thursday night of consumption, aged 50 years. For many years he was editor of the Memphis Republic Ledger, and at one time was on the staff of the Louisville Courier Journal. He was a member of the Paris exposition commission and had served in the confederate army as captain of volunteers.

William E. Gray.

William E. Gray, a prominent attorney and politician of Bellefonte, Pa., died last evening. Next to Judge John G. Love, Gray was for years the recognized Quay leader in this county and was widely known over the state, frequently representing Center county in state conventions. He was 40 years old.

Mrs. Harriet Smith.

Mrs. Harriet Smith, 72 years old, died early yesterday morning at the home of her son, John W. Smith, in Oakdale, of appendicitis. Mrs. Smith is survived by three sons and five daughters. The sons are Curtis, C. E. and John W., all business men of Oakdale.

Obituary Notes.

Mrs. Bella Painter, 60 years old, wife of J. W. Painter, is dead at the family home, No. 637 Thaw avenue, McKeesport. She was a member of the First Presbyterian church, McKeesport, and is survived by her husband and one son.

Mrs. Mary Wakefield, mother of Attorney James A. Wakefield of this city, is dead at the family homestead, at Redstone farm, Fayette county. She was 80 years old. Her husband, David Wakefield, died about two years ago. Four sons and two daughters survive.

Judge John W. Henry, former chief justice of the state supreme court and one of the most widely known jurists in the west, died at his home in Kansas City, Mo., yesterday, aged 78 years.

Vice Admiral G. Kruys, the minister of marine of The Netherlands, is dead at The Hague.

W. T. Black, a retired stove manufacturer, died at Erie, Pa., yesterday, aged 73 years.

Word has been received at New Castle, Pa., of the death of Richard Ryan, a Lawrence county veteran of the civil war, at the Dayton Soldiers' home. He was 69 years of age.

Dr. John McKinley, one of the best known residents of Lawrence county, died yesterday morning at his home in New Wilmington after an extended illness. Dr. McKinley was in business in New Castle for more than a quarter of a century.

George W. Prescott, one of the founders and the first president of the Union Iron works, was found dead in his apartments at the Palace hotel, San Francisco, Cal., last night. He was aged 65 years. It is believed that death resulted from heart failure. The deceased was a native of Maine.

HAITI'S NEW PRESIDENT.

His Election Is Controlled by Commander of the Army.

PORT AU PRINCE, HAITI, Dec. 12.—The chamber of the communes finished the elections of senators today, and the national assembly will have a session within a few days in order to elect a new president of the republic. The majority favor Sene Que Pierre, whose election is assured in case Gen. Nord, the war minister, does not oppose him.

Gen. Nord will enter the capital with his army on Sunday next. Considerable excitement prevails here. The French cruiser D'Assas has left this port for Martinique.

NEW PHASES OF THE IMBROGLIO

Comment on the Reported Methods of Castro and the Debt Collectors.

We have admitted in principle that Great Britain and Germany had the right to seize and occupy the customs house at La Guayra and to collect the duties paid there. This naturally implies the right to use such forcible means as were required for the purpose. It was contemplated, of course, that in the event of armed resistance to their design, they would have opened fire upon the Venezuelans. They would have been justified in taking measures of security against any threatened attack by the Venezuelan ships of war. It can hardly be denied that they went beyond these proper limits when they actually seized and destroyed armed vessels belonging to the government of Venezuela. That act is fairly comparable to acts of wanton devastation in warfare which have long been discountenanced by civilized nations. Great Britain and Germany are not justified in destroying any Venezuelan property whatever, save such as it may be necessary to destroy in the prosecution of their primary purpose. It would appear, indeed, that in sinking the Venezuelan ships of war they have established a just counterclaim, putting Venezuela in a position to demand that the value of the ships shall be deducted from the debts due.—New York Times.

What President Castro does not know about the law of nations would fill a large book. Had he been better informed he would not have made prisoners of British and German non-combatants, including a consul and a secretary of legation, nor would he have denied with vehemence the right of the American minister, by authority of his government, to represent the interests of Germany and Great Britain at Caracas during the continuance of hostilities. The principles involved are elementary. The French ambassador at Washington represented Spain, while the British envoy at Madrid represented the United States, during the late war. No Spaniard who happened to be in this country at the time and who minded his business was in danger of molestation, and the officials of either country dwelling in the other were given safe conduct to their homes. The methods of Latin-American revolutionary chieftains are not adapted to polite intercourse between nations.—Philadelphia Record.

No matter what their rights may be under international law, England and Germany are playing the bully down in Venezuela. It is true that the republic should pay its debts, and that if it refuses to pay them when able it should be made to do so; but we may be quite sure that if Venezuela were not a feeble power England and Germany would find the resources of diplomacy ample for their purposes.—New York American.

This government does not appear to be acting with any degree of wisdom or prudence in the matter of the Venezuelan imbroglio. The complication seems to be progressing rapidly from bad to worse, and we adhere to our do-nothing policy with masterful generalship. What we have done since the matter reached the critical stage appears to have been done unwarrantedly by our minister to Venezuela, and, taking in the whole range of the complication, his action looks very like a serious blunder. Every American interest demands that we sound an emphatic note of warning to Germany and England, and prepare to "make good" our attitude.—Baltimore American.

To what extent the powers may go to enforce their claims will be determined by the extent of the Venezuelan resistance. A very small war has often led to very large results. There clearly is a limit to the punitive measures to which the United States can yield consent, and it naturally will be Castro's effort to draw his enemies across that line. We think the country may feel confident, both that the Washington administration will not allow itself to be needlessly embroiled, and equally that it will not permit the territorial integrity of Venezuela to be infringed on or the rightful influence of the United States upon the South American continent to be neglected or impaired.—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

European powers are at liberty to compel South American republics to pay their debts, but it remains to be seen if they are privileged to wage destructive warfare against them under the pretense that they are slow about paying whatever an English or German subject pleases to demand. The United States has given Europe permission to serve sheriff's writs upon South American debtors, but when it comes to destroying South American governments the Monroe doctrine stands in the way. If the facts are as related in the news dispatches from Caracas, England and Germany may find it advisable to explain their high-handed action in the harbor of La Guayra.—Philadelphia North American.

The seizure of the Venezuelan warships by the British and German squadrons at La Guayra was an act of war that will resound throughout Latin-America and that stirs the interest of our own nation. Sentiment in Central and South America in regard to the Monroe doctrine has been distrustful of the United States. The events now transpiring will teach their lesson to the Latin-American states. They will understand more clearly that the integrity of their territories depends on the power of the North American republic to enforce the Monroe doctrine and that their security from European aggression lies at Washington. The outcome of the attack by Great Britain and Germany on Venezuela should be greatly to the advantage of American interests, commercial and financial, in Central and South America.—Newark Advertiser.

IT IS TO SMILE.

Success seldom comes to a man until rather late in the game. By the time he is in a position to get all the pie he wants he is a dyspeptic.—Chicago News.

RAMSEY WILL ANSWER M'CREA

Wabash President Preparing a General Statement Concerning Dispute.

SHIPPERS WISH PEACE

Business Interests Suffer by the Railroad Contention—Use of P. & W. Tracks—John Upperman Delays Action by Select Council

President Ramsey of the Wabash is preparing an answer, from an engineering standpoint, to the statement made by First Vice President McCrea of the Pennsylvania lines regarding the disputed Wabash-Pennsylvania crossing at Fourth street and Duquesne way. This answer will probably be given today. It will state also the Wabash position in regard to reasonable ordinances which the company can accept.

The statement of Mr. Ramsey that, unless equitable ordinances are granted to the Wabash, it will stay outside the city, created much talk among those most interested in railroad transportation matters here. A number of prominent shippers strongly urged that the two great railroad systems should get together at once and settle their differences, so that Pittsburgh could soon have the advantages of the additional facilities.

Pittsburgh and Western Connection.

The proposed Wabash connection with the tracks of the Pittsburgh & Western has been the cause of some conjecture as to how permission to make that connection could be gained because of the Pittsburgh & Western being a part of the Pennsylvania-controlled Baltimore & Ohio.

About 1880 Mr. Ramsey was chief engineer of what is now the Pittsburgh & Western. While he held this position the ordinances of Allegheny councils granting to the Pittsburgh & Western the right to place tracks along the wharf of the Allegheny and Ohio rivers was passed. Despite his protests at the time, councils insisted upon placing in that agreement a clause giving the right to use these tracks to any other railroad that should pay a reasonable compensation to the Pittsburgh & Western for the privilege. In case of disagreement between the railroads on this, a board of arbitration is to settle what constitutes a reasonable compensation.

Now Mr. Ramsey returns to Pittsburgh with another railroad which can well take advantage of this ordinance. The hostile railroad interests are powerless to prevent it if access to the Pittsburgh & Western tracks can be arranged.

Delay in Select Council.

"I am in favor of the Wabash, and I will endeavor to have a meeting of the corporations committee called within a few days," said President Lambie of select council yesterday.

"If councils do not pass the Wabash ordinance they will hear from the people," he added. "I believe that. If President Ramsey is correctly reported in saying that he has stopped work and that the line into Pittsburgh will not be built, then he has made a mistake. If that is true, there is nothing for councils to do in the matter."

President Lambie said he could not understand Chairman John Upperman's delay in calling a meeting of the corporations committee of select council. Chairman Upperman said on Monday to a Gazette representative that he would probably call a meeting for Thursday; that he was anxious to make a start as soon as possible and give every person affected by the construction of the railroad lines, provided in the Wabash and Pennsylvania ordinances, a chance to be heard.

S. J. Wainwright, Jr., a member of the committee, said to Chairman Upperman at the time that he would receive a letter in a day or two from one of the railroad companies asking that a meeting of the committee be postponed. Mr. Wainwright declined to tell what railroad would make the request for delay. Since this conversation nothing has been heard about a meeting of the corporations committee of the select branch. Members of the committee said yesterday that they did not know when a meeting would be called.

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LAIRD OF SKIBO COMING HERE SOON.

The trustees of the Carnegie institute are preparing to entertain Andrew Carnegie in Pittsburgh within a fortnight. It is Mr. Carnegie's intention to spend a week in this city, and the trustees expect to get definite information as to the founder's plans as soon as he recovers from the fatigue of his voyage.

Mr. Carnegie's prime object in coming to Pittsburgh is to view the site recently selected for the technical school. He will hold some important conferences with the trustees and interesting announcements concerning the institution have been promised during the philanthropist's visit. The plans for the school will be hastened, in order to secure Mr. Carnegie's approval, before his return to Scotland.

Col. Samuel Harden Church, secretary of the board of trustees, said yesterday that he had received no communications from Mr. Carnegie since the latter reached New York, but anticipated hearing from him within a few days, when he doubtless would give his program for the Pittsburgh visit.

The Laird of Skibo will see much to attract his interest at the Carnegie institution. In the art galleries are many magnificent works of art, which Mr. Carnegie has never seen. He has manifested great interest in the loan exhibit, and will see for the first time the portrait of himself which was painted last year by John W. Alexander, the famous Pittsburgh artist.

CORONER'S JURY HELD BROTHERS

Both Martin and Harry Singer Implicated in Murder of Mrs. Cuthbert.

MAY HAMMER'S STORY

On the Witness Stand She Described Scene in Ill-Fated Colwell Street Resort and Fastened Crime Upon Fugitive.

The coronial inquest in the death of Elizabeth Cuthbert, who was murdered in her home at No. 48 Colwell street on the morning of December 1, was held yesterday and the jury returned a verdict holding Harry Singer as the murderer and his brother, Martin Singer, as an accessory before and after the fact. May Hammer, an inmate of the Colwell street house, was held as a witness and committed to jail. Later in the afternoon she was released on a bond of $500, signed by her mother, Mrs. Sarah Hammer of Buffalo. The girl and her mother will start for home in a few days. The inquest was largely attended. When Coroner McGeary started to take the evidence in the case the rooms were crowded. Dr. Walter G. McCandless testified that the woman died of a gunshot wound, the bullet entering the heart.

May Hammer, who was also shot and wounded by Harry Singer before he killed Mrs. Cuthbert, was called. She had been brought from the Mercy hospital by Deputy Coroner Charles Bender. She repeated the story told the police at the hospital.

She said Singer came to the house at 11 o'clock on Sunday night. He bought some beer and sat with May Hammer and Mrs. Cuthbert. They ate lunch and all retired.

About 3 o'clock she heard some one moaning in Mrs. Cuthbert's room and went to her door. Mrs. Cuthbert told her that the man was killing her. She tried to get in the door, but it was locked. Then the door opened and Singer caught her. Mrs. Cuthbert told Singer not to hurt her, but he shot her. Mrs. Cuthbert then left the room and Singer fired at her at the head of the stairway and killed her.

The Hammer woman went into the room and blew the police whistle from the window. After she finished her story Coroner McGeary asked her if there was anyone else in the house Sunday night. She said Martin Singer came to the house at 10:30 o'clock and left to get some sandwiches, but did not return. Martin Singer was then identified by her.

Detectives Richard Kelly and John Roach testified that Martin Singer told them that he was not in the Colwell street house on Sunday night. The household effects of Mrs. Cuthbert were sold yesterday afternoon by the Mercantile Trust Company, which is the executor for the dead woman. The sale was largely attended and everything in the house was sold. Most of the contents were bought by representatives of second-hand stores in Fifth and Wylie avenues. The prices were small.

Grounded Steamer a Wreck.

KINGSTON, JAMAICA, Dec. 12.—The American wrecking steamer Premier, that went to the assistance of the United Fruit Company's steamer Kitty, which was hard ashore on Roncador reef, 300 miles from Jamaica, has returned here and reports that the Kitty is a total wreck.

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QUARANTINE GUARDS RECEIVE NO SALARY

Nearly 200 Men Without Christmas Money--Transfers Required from Other Funds.

The quarantine guards of the bureau of health cannot get their pay from the city. The appropriation for the bureau of health is again exhausted, and the men who have been standing guard at quarantined houses cannot draw their money until councils has made a transfer from other funds.

Director Leslie will ask councils to transfer about $25,000 from the fire bureau fund and the same amount from the police fund. There is enough money in the fire and police funds to meet the emergency, but these funds are likely to run short before the end of the fiscal year on account of the drain from the bureau of health.

The November payroll of the quarantine officers amounts to $11,240. It contains the names of 180 men, who are compelled to go without Christmas money.

Director Leslie has already made three transfers from other funds for the benefit of the bureau of health. Money has been transferred from the contingent fund and other bureaus in the public safety department. The last transfer, made about a month ago, was for $30,000. With an additional transfer of $50,000, the bureau of health will have enough money to run it for another month, and then it will be up against the same proposition again.

FAMOUS ARTIST TO DECORATE NEW CAPITOL

Commission Closes Contract With Barnard, the Sculptor, for Marble Figures.

(SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.)

HARRISBURG, Dec. 12.—The new capitol commission today closed the contract with George Gray Barnard, the sculptor, to do the marble decorating in the interior for $100,000. Mr. Barnard will leave here for Paris on Wednesday and will be gone long enough to complete his designs, which will embrace two large groups of figures of heroic size, each seven feet high, with possibly 30 figures in all.

The commission's attorney, Robert K. Young, is engaged in preparing contracts with Miss Violet Oakley of Philadelphia to decorate the governor's reception room, at a cost of $20,000, and with Edwin A. Abbey, the famous artist, to decorate the interior of the same at a cost of $70,000.

Preacher Must Resign.

It was announced in Homestead yesterday that it is feared the Rev. Frederick Lyne, pastor of St. Matthew's Episcopal church, will be obliged to resign and go to Arizona, owing to ill health. The Rev. Lyne has been pastor of the congregation for only three months and has been confined to bed for six weeks. He was formerly stationed at Steelton.

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If Hyomei should chance to fail in your case, ask your druggist to return your money and he will do so without question. What other treatments for catarrh or catarrhal colds was ever sold before on this "No Cure, No Pay," plan?

MORMONISM GROWING.

Conference of Latter Day Saints Represents Several Thousand Members.

PARKERSBURG, W. VA., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—The Northern Virginia conference of the Mormon church is being held in the Parkersburg city hall. More than 20 elders are here, most of them originally from Utah or Wyoming, but all proselyting now in Northern West Virginia.

Throughout the mountain counties and among the illiterate people Mormonism is securing a strong foothold. The attorney general of the state has rendered an opinion depriving them of the use of free school houses, but they meet at private houses and their numbers are increasing. The conference here represents several thousand Mormons.

THE ORCHESTRA CONCERT.

Warm Tribute to Arthur Nevin. Splendid Singing by Ellison Van Hoose.

The fifth concert of the Pittsburgh Orchestra was given in Carnegie Music hall last evening, with Ellison Van Hoose, tenor, as soloist. Despite weather conditions, the audience was of good size and made up in enthusiasm whatever it lacked in numbers. Intense appreciation was the order of the evening.

The feature of the concert, so far as Pittsburgh is concerned, was the production for the first time in this city of the suite, "Love Dreams," by Arthur Nevin. This suite, which is in four movements, received an ovation. The charming delicacy and romantic feeling of the music were interpreted with a full comprehension of their beauty. Mr. Herbert was obliged to repeat the second and third movements, and at the end, after long continued applause, Mr. Nevin was forced to leave his place in the audience and receive the plaudits due him.

The other numbers of the program were well rendered. Two of these, the Hegar and Tschaikowsky works, were played for the first time in Pittsburgh.

Last year, when Ellison Van Hoose sang at the closing concert, it was remarked that at last Pittsburgh had found a thoroughly satisfactory concert tenor. His singing of the Prize Song last March was one of the artistic sensations of the season. Since then Mr. Van Hoose has made his way in London, and is today, without doubt, the best concert tenor not connected with opera. His voice is full and rich, a pure tenor quality in the highest ranges, very lyric, yet full of dramatic feeling. The two numbers which he sang were well suited to his style, and he gave to them a rendering of the purest artistic worth. Mr. Van Hoose was heartily recalled.

A gorgeous Wagner number ended this successful concert, which will be repeated this afternoon at 2:15.

Spanish Ambassador Resigns.

MADRID, Dec. 12.—Senor Leo Castillo, the Spanish ambassador at Paris, has resigned.

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MARRIAGE LICENSES.

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Hannah B. Houser ..... Armstrong county
Thomas H. Johns ..... Homestead
Ellen M. Llewellyn ..... Elwood City
James M. Sharp ..... McKees Rocks
Emma J. Pitzer ..... Moravia
George W. Goodman ..... Pittsburgh
Harriet Mead ..... Pittsburgh
Owens T. Davis ..... Bowers
Louisa J. Lacy ..... Homestead
Jacob Pimpsner ..... Pittsburgh
Matilda Warnecke ..... Pittsburgh

DEATHS.

ABBOTT—On Friday, December 12, 1902, at 8:45 a. m., at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Charles M. Bardolph, No. 23 California avenue, Allegheny, Pa., MRS. AGNES ABBOTT, in her 73d year. Funeral services this evening at 7:30 o'clock, at the home of her daughter. Friends of the family respectfully invited to attend. Interment private Sunday afternoon.

ABEL—Suddenly, on Thursday, December 11, 1902, at 10:30 a. m., JOSEPH ABEL, in his 73d year. Funeral services at the residence of his son, William F. Abel, No. 224 Murtland avenue, corner Thomas boulevard, on Sunday, December 14, at 3 p. m. Interment private.

BENTZ—At Denver, Col., CHARLES F. W. BENTZ, late of San Francisco, Cal., brother of Mrs. J. C. Wright, East End, Pittsburgh. Interment on Sunday, December 14, at Dayton, O.

BROWN—On Wednesday, December 10, 1902, at 2:30 p. m., at Asheville, N. C., of appendicitis, JAMES J. BROWN, husband of Gertrude Schoenmaker Brown, in the 40th year of his age. Funeral services at the chapel of H. Samson, No. 433 Sixth avenue, on Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Interment private.

BROWN—On Friday, December 12, 1902, at 1 p. m., at his residence, No. 414 Jackson street, Allegheny, WILLIAM BROWN, aged 38 years 3 months and 10 days. Funeral services at his late residence on Sunday, December 14, at 2 p. m. Interment private later at Uniondale cemetery, Allegheny, Pa.

DOUGHERTY—Entered into rest December 10, 1902, at the family residence, No. 6356 Frankstown avenue, WILLIAM J. DOUGHERTY, only son of the late George S. and Eliza Love Dougherty. Funeral services on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment private.

FALCONER—On Friday, December 12, 1902, at 1:30 a. m., at the West Penn hospital, ROBERT C. FALCONER. Funeral services at the chapel of H. Samson, No. 433 Sixth avenue, this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

METCALF—At her home in Oakmont, ALICE WOOD, wife of Charles Metcalf. Funeral services at Trinity church, Sixth avenue, this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Interment private. (Philadelphia papers please copy.)

MURPHY—On Thursday, December 11, 1902, at 4 a. m., THOMAS H. MURPHY, in his 65th year. Funeral services at his late residence, No. 4235 Fifth avenue, on Saturday morning at 10 o'clock. Interment private.

PAINTER—ISABELLA, wife of John W. Painter, at her home, No. 637 Shaw avenue, McKeesport, in her 56th year. Funeral services this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Interment private.

ROBINSON—On Friday, December 12, 1902, at 4:15 a. m., JAMES ROBINSON, beloved husband of Jane Robinson, in his 66th year. Funeral from his late residence, No. 468 Lorenz avenue, Elliott borough, on Monday, December 15, 1902, at 2 p. m. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

SANDERS—J. B. SANDERS, aged 41 years. Funeral services at 2 p. m. Sunday, December 14, at his late residence, No. 420 Charles street, Knoxville. Interment private.

SCHUCHERT—On Thursday, December 11, 1902, at 2 a. m., at St. Francis hospital, LAMBERT SCHUCHERT, aged 57 years 5 months 4 days. Funeral on Saturday, December 13, at 9:25 a. m., from his late residence, No. 116 Allen avenue, South Side. Services at 9:30 a. m. at St. George's Roman Catholic church, Allen avenue. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend. [Wheeling (W. Va.) and Butler (Pa.) papers please copy.]

SCHLECHT—On Wednesday, December 10, 1902, at 7:40 p. m., KATHEARINA SCHLECHT, at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Emma Finnegan, No. 160 Southern avenue, Mt. Washington, in the 77th year of her age. Funeral services this afternoon at 2 o'clock. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

SMITH—On Thursday, December 11, 1902, at 8:15 p. m., at his residence, No. 721 Beaver street, Sewickley, Pa., DR. FRANK H. SMITH, in the 41st year of his age. Funeral services at the United Presbyterian church today, December 13, 1902, at 2:30 p. m. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend. Interment private.

WEBER—On Tuesday, December 9, 1902, at Hot Springs, Ark., HENRY Z. WEBER. Funeral services at the residence of his sister, Mrs. A. C. Robertson, No. 25 Observatory avenue, Allegheny city, on Sunday afternoon, December 14, at 2:30 o'clock. Interment private.

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A feature today is a showing of handsome trim'd Hats at $5.00, $10.00 and $15.00.

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SUDDEN AND HIGH RISE

Only Tows Made Up Were Moved Yesterday on the Rapid Current—One Little Accident at Smithfield Street Bridge.

River coal men are jubilant, for, with a 16-foot stage of water in the Ohio and the prospects that a coalboat stage will continue for several days, fully 10,000,000 bushels of coal of the 25,000,000 bushels loaded will be moved out of the port of Pittsburgh by tomorrow night. The bulk of this coal will be sent to New Orleans, where it will be used to run the machinery of big ocean vessels, railroads, factories and sugar plantations.

While the rise was very sudden and surprised the rivermen, it is gladly welcomed by them, for there has not been a coalboat stage of water in the Ohio since early last summer. Moderate rains and the melting of the snow in the upper valleys caused the sudden spurt in the streams. The rain which set in last night is bound to prolong a high stage of water.

A few towboats yesterday took advantage of the rise, because there were several hitched into fleets ready to start as soon as the water arrived. It was almost impossible, however, to make up fleets in the harbor on account of the strong current in the Monongahela. This was demonstrated when the towboat Twilight came down shortly before 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The water carried her fleet of 10 flats against the channel pier of the Smithfield street bridge. One flat was emptied of its contents, the others were set adrift, the steamboat was carried against the pier, but escaped injury. It was regarded as a very lucky escape. The towboats R. L. Aubrey and Clifton picked up the runaway flats.

Only Larger Boats Went Out.

Only the towboats of big power departed yesterday. These included the Charles Brown, with 12 coalboats and 2 barges; James Moran, 12 boats, 3 barges; Hornet, 7 boats, 3 barges; John A. Wood, 10 boats, 2 model barges; Samuel Clark, 11 boats, 2 barges, 1 model barge; Tornado, 5 boats; John Moren, 5 boats. The shipment amounted to 85 boats, 16 barges and 4 model barges, containing about 2,365,000 bushels of coal. In addition to coal shipments, thousands of tons of iron and steel products will be sent south.

The big run to the south will be made today, the Monongahela River Consolidated Coal and Coke Company sending the bulk of the shipment. The coal departing yesterday belonged to that firm.

Capt. S. W. Thomas of C. Jutte & Co. said that the rise was a glorious one, and would enable shipments to be made to New Orleans. He said that he would send the big Oakland through with a big tow of coalboats. This boat will take alone to that market during the coming season, 100 coalboats. The Gleaner is expected to make a number of trips for the same firm. By Christmas or a little later between 6,000,000 and 7,000,000 bushels of coal will be on the way to New Orleans from Louisville.

Will Throng the River.

The following companies will send out tows, in addition to what has been shipped:

C. Jutte & Co., Oakland, 17 coalboats; Gleaner, 17 coalboats and G. W. Thomas, 17 barges.

Budd Coal Company, Harvester, 17 coalboats and Frank Gilmore 6 or 8 coalboats and 4 barges.

Clyde Coal Company, W. H. Flint, 12 boats and 2 barges and the Eleanor, 8 boats.

The Monongahela River Consolidated Coal and Coke Company will send in addition to the boats that went out yesterday, the Joseph E. Williams, Boaz, Coal City, W. W. O'Neil, J. B. Finley, Defender, Sam Brown, Ironsides, Tom Rees, No 2, Valiant, Cruiser, Nellie Walton, B. D. Wood, Dave Wood, I. N. Bunker, Fallie and many smaller ones.

The larger boats will take 17 to 20 coalboats each from Bellaire.

It cannot be said that there is a coal famine in the south, but there is a healthy demand for fuel, especially at Cincinnati and Louisville. It is thought that fully 1,200 coalboats will be sent into New Orleans during the coming season.

Many country men and boys arrived in Pittsburgh yesterday to ship on the steamers. Lake seamen also arrived in large numbers, for the big boats leaving for the far south, desired to ship full crews. Many deck hands will be picked up along the river. It will require more than 2,000 men to take the present run of coal south.

LATTA GOLDEN WEDDING.

Former Pittsburghers Celebrate Pleasant Anniversary in Sunny Tennessee.

KNOXVILLE, TENN., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—At North Dyersburg today S. R. Latta, formerly of Pittsburgh, and his wife celebrated the golden anniversary of their wedding, the occasion being the social event of the week in that little city.

Mr. and Mrs. Latta received a number of their large circle of friends, and in return was presented with numerous beautiful and costly presents.

Mr. Latta is well remembered by many of the older prominent people of Pittsburgh. For some time he has been making his home in Tennessee.

FOUND TIED UP.

Young Woman, Taken Suddenly Ill, Stops Herself in Buggy and Dies There.

KINGSTON, MICH., Dec. 12.—Suspicions of foul play which were occasioned by the discovery of the dead body of Ella Beardsley, tied in a buggy about four miles south of this village, today, have proved groundless.

A postmortem revealed no indications of violence and showed peritonitis and kidney trouble as the probable cause of death.

The theory now is that the young woman strapped herself in the buggy when her illness became acute enough for her to realize that she was liable to lose consciousness before reaching her home in this village.

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SOCIETY

THE wedding next week of Miss Mary Crossan Hays and Francis Sellers Guthrie will be a break in the continuous round of entertainments in honor of the debutantes which has marked last week and this and promises to continue until the first of the year. The wedding will take place in the Shadyside Presbyterian church next Tuesday evening, and will be a very smart and fashionable event. The bride's attendants will be several of the young girls who were her school friends and entered society with her. She will have as a house guest Miss Pauline Griffiss of Chattanooga. Miss Virginia Bugbman will give a dinner in honor of the bride on Monday evening at the Hotel Schenley, where the Bughmans are staying this winter, the dinner preceding the wedding rehearsal at the church. This evening Mr. Guthrie will give his bachelor dinner for his best man and ushers and a few other friends at the Pittsburgh Golf club.

Both of the young people are very popular in society, and their wedding will add another to the series of handsome weddings in the Shadyside Presbyterian church, including those of Mr. and Mrs. Russell K. Forsyth, Mr. and Mrs. George Lauder Carnegie, Mr. and Mrs. George Hamilton Flinn, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Snydam and others. The ceremony will be performed by the Rev. Richard S. Holmes, pastor of the church. Mrs. Eugene L. Messler will be the matron of honor and Miss Caroline Irwin Hays, a younger sister of the bride, will be her maid of honor. The bridesmaids will be Miss Willa Forsyth, Miss Virginia Bughman, Miss Marion Tuthill and Miss Pauline Griffiss. Mr. Guthrie will have his brother, John Brandon Guthrie, as his best man, and the ushers will be Starling Winston Childs, Carroll P. Davis, Robert Walker Flenniken, Walter McClintock, Judson Brooks, Jr., and William H. Hays, Jr., brother of the bride. The wedding will be followed by a large reception at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Hays, in Westminster street, Shadyside.

Pittsburgh Golf Club Cotillion.

Mr. and Mrs. William Speer Kuhn gave a large cotillion last night at the Pittsburgh Golf club, in honor of their niece, Miss Sallie Speer Dunbar, one of the debutantes of last winter. The Golf club was very beautiful with the decorations for last night's dance, which were more elaborate than have ever before been seen there. The cotillion was preceded by a dinner, which Mr. and Mrs. Kuhn gave for their house guest, Miss Virginia Wright. One long table was placed in the west dining room at the club house and covers were laid for 18.

Palms, smilax and the scarlet poinsetta were combined in the decorations of the entire club house. In the main hall, where the cotillion was danced, a canopy of southern smilax covered the space within the encircling balcony. The balcony was almost hidden by vines entwined about the balustrade, and at the center of each side poinsetta appeared in a great mass of color. The central chandelier was wreathed with vines, small red bells appearing in the place of flowers about the long suspending chain, while the lights themselves seemed to be the heart of small crimson bells. A great deal of the brilliant color was occasioned by the bells, which appeared in novel and pretty combinations. At each of the corners of the dining balcony was suspended a great cluster of little red bells, while between the corners at intervals hung larger bells, increasing in size to the center. The side lights were shrouded with poinsetta and crimson bells, and above the fireplace appeared a bank of small ferns and the vivid poinsetta. The same colors were continued throughout the other rooms of the two wings of the club house. Supper was served in the large dining room of the first below.

Mr. and Mrs. Kuhn, Miss Dunbar, who is the daughter of Edward L. Dunbar of South Negley avenue, and Miss Wright received in the main hall before the cotillion began. Three favor figures were danced, the leaders being S. Jarvis Geer, Jerome Hill, a brother of Mrs. Kuhn, and Thurston Wright. The favors were beautiful and all imported, consisting of flowers and novelties for both the girls and the men. Mrs. George C. Burgwin, Mrs. William R. Blair and Mrs. James Kuhn assisted in distributing the favors.

Next Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. Kuhn will give a ball at the Pittsburgh club at which Mrs. Kuhn's sister, Miss Sallie Hill, a southern girl who spends the greater portion of her winters with Mrs. Kuhn in Pittsburgh, will make her formal debut. On Wednesday evening Mr. and Mrs. Kuhn will give a theater party in honor of Miss Anne Boggin, Miss Rea Winter and Miss Elizabeth Sellers.

Mrs. Emil Swensson Entertained.

Mrs. Emil Swensson entertained both afternoon and evening yesterday at her home in Hays street, East End. In the afternoon she gave a large reception in honor of the bride, Mrs. John Ross Lyon, Mr. and Mrs. Lyon having just returned from their wedding trip. In the evening Mr. and Mrs. Swensson entertained the Hays Street card club, of which they are members. The reception in the afternoon was a handsome affair and the pretty home was elaborately decorated, red and green appearing throughout the house, except in the parlors, where pink roses were arranged. The lights were covered with dainty shades, harmonizing in color with the decorations. In the reception and dining rooms the mantels were banked with exotics and poinsetta and scarlet bells hung from the chandeliers. In the dining room American Beauties composed the bell which hung over the table, with its center piece of red roses. The candles were shaded with red and throughout the room the same colors emphasized the presence of the holiday season.

Mrs. Swensson and the bride received together in the parlors, and assisting were Mrs. George H. Albertson, Mrs. David A. Rees, Mrs. Edwin D. Jordan, Mrs. Alan Hooper, Mrs. Henry J. Jordan, Mrs. N. F. Sloan, Miss Marsh Rees, Miss Mary Hall, Miss Clara Livingston, Miss Brackin of Memphis and Miss Laura Higgins of Chicago, the last two having been maids at Mrs. Lyons' wedding. The bride wore her wedding gown of ivory white satin and Irish point lace, and the hostess was gowned in pink crepe de chine, with ecru lace applique.

Domino Whist in Shadyside.

Mrs. William McClay Hall, Jr., gave a domino whist yesterday afternoon at her home in Morewood avenue, Shadyside. Several tables were arranged for the guests in the drawing room, the library and the reception hall. Simple decorations of tropical plants and American Beauty roses prevailed throughout the apartments. The guests included prominent society women of Shadyside, the East End and Allegheny. The appointments of each table were both pretty and novel, and the score cards were post cards from different European countries. Two prizes were awarded at each table. The young ladies who assisted Mrs. Hall were several of the debutantes, Miss Beatrice Hawkins, Miss Louise Kay, Miss Alice Pennock, Miss Elizabeth Sellers and Miss Emily Moorhead.

Christmas at the Chatham School

The Christmas exercises at the Chatham school will be held during the coming week. On Wednesday morning the children in the primary department will have their exercises, consisting of songs, stories and drills, commencing at 9:30 o'clock. The Christmas festival of the kindergarten department will take place on Friday morning at 10 o'clock, the kindergarten children having a Christmas tree in connection with their exercises. Both will be conducted in Braun's Auditorium in South Highland avenue, where the Chatham school is located. These exercises will be open to the public and any one interested in primary and kindergarten work will be cordially welcomed. The school has been well filled during the term and its future is exceedingly encouraging.

A Sale of Porto Rican Needle Work.

Mrs. James R. Gilmore of Beaver street, Sewickley, held a sale of all kinds of fancy work made by the women of Porto Rico, at her home yesterday afternoon from 2 until 5 o'clock. The work was done by native women under the direction of the Porto Rican Benevolent society, of which Mrs. Robert Miller of Akron, Ohio, is president. Mrs. Miller is a personal friend of Mrs. Gilmore and furnishes the material for these sales. On sale were all kinds of doilies, tea cloths, center-pieces, shirt waists and hats. Those things not sold yesterday are on exhibition and for sale at Mrs. Gilmore's at any time.

The Carnegie Club Meets.

The Women's club of Carnegie, Mrs. W. J. Glenn, president, held its regular meeting in the club room of the Carnegie library yesterday afternoon. The civic committee had a very favorable report, having interviewed council in regard to the sanitary condition of the town. The program of the afternoon was carried out, with Mrs. Jessy Bamford chairman. Vocal music was rendered by Miss Ada Nixon. The book review, "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch," was presented by Miss Stella Moore. A concert under the auspices of the club will be given by Ernest Gamble on Monday, January 22.

Two House-guests.

Mrs. Charles Gray of New York arrived in Pittsburgh yesterday morning and will be Mrs. Thomas R. Blair's house guest for some time. Mrs. Gray is quite well known and popular in Shadyside and the East End and several entertainments will be given in her honor while here. Mrs. Blair is also entertaining Mrs. Emile Koof of Oil City and will give a hearts party next Thursday evening, with both visitors as the honor guests. Mrs. Blair intends giving several informal affairs for her guests—for which dates have not yet been selected.

Christmas Bazars.

A very pretty Christmas bazar was conducted yesterday in the drawing room of the Pennsylvania College for Women, under the direction of the Young Women's Christian association of the college. Fancy work and college banners and emblems were for sale, the proceeds to be devoted to supporting and educating a young girl in the mission school in Tokio, Japan.

The Young Women's Missionary society of the Point Breeze Presbyterian church held a successful bazar yesterday afternoon and evening in the church parlors.

Mrs. Harlow's Luncheon.

Mrs. Alfred B. Harlow gave a very delightful little luncheon at her home in Beaver street, Sewickley, at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Those present were Mrs. Charles McKnight, Mrs. Robert Wardop, Mrs. Charles Brown, Mrs. George E. McCague, Mrs. S. G. Cooper, Mrs. George Clapp and Miss Elizabeth Love.

Invitations Recalled.

Invitations for the entertainment planned by Mrs. Elmer Miller of Broad street, Sewickley, for last evening, in honor of Miss Annie Miller and Mrs. Mary Miller, who leave for Florida next week were yesterday withdrawn on account of the death of Dr. Frank H. Smith, who was to be one of the guests.

For Two Brides and a Debutante.

Mrs. Pitt Osborne Heasley has invitations out for a card party which she will give on Friday afternoon, December 19, in honor of Mrs. Wilbur Shenk, Mrs. Robert Wray and Miss Margaret Wasson.

Engagement Announced.

Announcement is made of the betrothal of Edward A. Richter and Miss Marie A. Mathieu. Mr. Richter is the representative of the passenger department of the Illinois Central railroad at Pittsburgh.

Riley and the Home Folks.

Dr. Huily will lecture in the Sandusky Street Baptist church this evening, his subject being "Riley and the Home Folks."

SCHOOL GIRLS MISSING.

Students at Asheville Female College Disappear Mysteriously and Worst Is Feared.

KNOXVILLE, TENN., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—Two beautiful school girls, students of the Asheville Female college, bonnie Kate Jones, age 13, and Lellia Kuykendall, 14, mysteriously disappeared from the streets of Asheville, N. C., while en route to the home of the former. Although city and county officers and private detectives have searched high and low for them for the past two days, their whereabouts remain a mystery and no trace of their movements can be found.

The domestic relations of both were pleasant, and it is asserted that they positively did not make their disappearance of their own accord.

BOOM FOR G. S. WARD.

Some of His Friends Want to See Him Nominated for Recorder.

Some friends of George S. Ward of the Twenty-first are booming him for the recordership on the Citizens ticket. R. H. Douglas is said to have abanoned his candidacy and turned in for Ward. At Citizens headquarters nothing is known about the boom. Mr. Ward is vice chairman and secretary of the Ward-Mackey Company.

The Citizens of Mifflin township have formed a permanent organization by the election of these officers: W. V. Noble, chairman; C. J. McBride, secretary; L. F. Sanial, vice chairman, and W. A. Gregg, treasurer.

MOORHEAD NOT GUILTY.

Other Yale Students Are Fined for Breach of Peace in Taking Tickets from Speculators.

NEW HAVEN, CONN., Dec. 12.—Bradford Ellsworth of New York, William R. Orthwein of St. Louis, William Barnum of Mamaroneck, N. Y., Harold P. Sawyer of Bridgeport, Conn., and John A. Moorhead of Pittsburgh, Yale students, were arraigned in the city court today on charges of breach of the peace preferred by Sidney Treeder, a ticket speculator.

The alleged assault occurred on the night of November 20, when a crowd of students took from Treeder his tickets for the Yale-Harvard football game.

A nolle was entered in the case against Moorhead. Ellsworth was fined $200 and Barnum, Sawyer and Orth were fined $100 each, after counsel for the men had handed in pleas of nole contendre. The fines were immediately paid.

Business Block Burned.

SCRANTON, PA., Dec. 12.—The large five-story structure occupied by J. L. Connel & Co., wholesale grocers, at 115 Franklin avenue, was destroyed by fire today, together with the contents of the building. Four firemen were slightly injured. The loss is $125,000, fully covered by insurance.

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SECOND AVENUE WIDENED SOON

Matter Will Be Placed in the Hands of a Board of Viewers.

COST WILL BE SMALL

Virgin Alley Widening to Be Carried Through to Grant Street—Petitions for Lower Portion Filed With City Clerk.

Surveys for the widening of Second avenue to 70 feet, from Ross street to the South Tenth street bridge, have been completed, and steps will be taken at once to start the improvement by putting the matter in the hands of the board of viewers.

Councils will not be compelled to pass an ordinance for the widening of the street from Try to the South Tenth street bridge, as an ordinance for this purpose was adopted in 1895 and is still in force. The ordinance relocating and widening the street between Ross and Try is in councils and will likely receive favorable consideration at an early date.

Supt. Browne of the bureau of surveys said yesterday that the improvement would be of great benefit to the city, and would cost comparatively little, as the damage from cutting 20 feet from the north side of the street will be small. The property to be taken is not valuable. The "Yellow row," an eye-sore for many years, will have to go when the street is widened.

The property on the south side of the street will be assessed benefits, but the city may be called upon to make up a slight difference.

At the next meeting of councils an ordinance will be introduced to widen Virgin alley between Smithfield and Grant streets to 44 feet. Supt. Browne at first intended to extend Virgin alley clear through to Wylie, and this may be done before the matter is finally disposed of. This would give an additional short cut from the hill district, but it is the opinion of Supt. Browne that the close proximity of Sixth avenue to Virgin alley makes an extension unnecessary.

The signatures of all property owners along Virgin alley between Smithfield street and Liberty avenue have been obtained for the proposed widening, and the papers were filed in the city clerk's office yesterday, after the recorder had affixed his signature in behalf of the city property. The ordinance for the widening of the alley will be prepared at once and sent to councils at the next meeting.

BRISLIN SUES TO RECOVER ON PATENT

Jones & Laughlins Defendant in Suit Like That Lost by Carnegie Steel Co.

The victory attained by the plaintiffs in the suit of John Brislin and Antoine Vinnac against the Carnegie Steel Company for alleged infringement of patent traveling feed tables, used extensively in rolling mills, resulted in suit being entered yesterday in the United States circuit court against the Jones & Laughlins Company, limited, and Jones & Laughlin Steel Company by John Brislin and William Wesel, administrator of Antoine Vinnac, deceased. The suit in equity was filed by Attorney James Negley Cooke. With him are associated, in representing the plaintiffs, United States District Attorney James S. Young and the law firm of Kay & Totten.

The patents on which the plaintiffs base their claims expire in July, 1903, but before that time numerous suits are to be entered against firms throughout the country charging infringement of the same patent.

An immense sum of money is involved, as the device has been in general use in the manufacture of structural steel for many years and represents one of the most notable of improvements to facilitate the rolling of steel.

The suits entered yesterday are similar in character to that entered against the Carnegie Steel Company in 1897, and which was decided in favor of the plaintiffs in a decision by Judge Joseph Buffington handed down several months ago, and which has since been appealed to the United States circuit court of appeals by the defendant company. The appeal will be argued in Philadelphia next March.

Judge Buffington in his opinion held that the patents of the plaintiffs were valid, and that the device in use by the Carnegie company infringed.

During the litigation with the Carnegie company Antoine Vinnac, one of the plaintiffs, died, his death occurring in January, 1899. John Brislin, the other plaintiff, is 77 years old and blind. He is also in poor circumstances.

The bill filed against Jones & Laughlins Company, limited, and the Jones & Laughlin Steel Company alleges the defendant companies have infringed and are still infringing on patents of the plaintiffs, granted on July 20, 1880, and November 16, 1886. Patrick F. Hanley and Francis M. Richey are mentioned in connection with the granting of the patents.

The device in question is used in introducing beams and channels in the process of making into the rolls and also receiving them as they come from the rolls, one of the machines being on either side of the rolls. Their operation facilitates the manufacture to a great extent, one man doing the work formerly done by seven or eight with greater speed and in a more accurate manner.

RESERVOIR IS FULL.

Director McCandless Asks Councils to Take a Look at the New Basin.

Director McCandless sent the following letter yesterday to President Lamble of select council and President Crawford of common council:

"I wish to inform you that Highland reservoir No. 2 has been filled with water to its capacity, namely, 39 feet, since yesterday at noon, and would ask you, should you so desire, to inspect the same, that you do so within the next three or four days, as at that time it is my intention to turn the water into our service line. Please have the city clerk notify the members of councils of this fact."

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SPICY EVIDENCE IN TALBOT TRIAL

Deposed Rector Says He Was Persecuted by the Bishop.

DEFENDANT ON STAND

He Offered Irvine $100 to Leave Town at Instance of Mrs. Elliott, and Spoke of Rector as "Slimy Fellow."

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

HUNTINGDON, PA., Dec. 12.—Today's proceedings in the conspiracy case of Dr. I. N. W. Irvine, the deposed rector of St. John's church, against Bishop Ethelbert Talbot and Mrs. Alexander Elliott of Huntingdon were intensely enlivening and witnessed the resting of the side of the plaintiff.

The allegation of the deposed rector, which was not fully sustained by the evidence, was that the ecclesiastical court of inquiry, under which he was convicted of immorality and uncanonical conduct, was irregularly and unconstitutionally organized, and that its methods of procedure were biased and unjust. Further allegations stigmatized Bishop Talbot as judge, jury and executioner.

Bishop Talbot, the first witness for the defense, testified to the vexatious trouble he had continually had with Dr. Irvine in nearly all his previous appointments. The doctor, said the bishop, had fomented strife wherever he had been, and his word could not always be relied upon.

His reason for Dr. Irvine's appointment to Huntingdon was through sympathy and the hope that the rector would "reform" in his new charge.

The bishop acknowledged that he had happily congratulated St. John's congregation, on the occasion of a confirmation visit, in their having secured the ministerial services of Dr. Irvine, and that, in only a few months thereafter, he had peremptorily directed the new rector to withdraw from the parish. The other testimony showed that the bishop had offered $100 to the rector, at the instance of Mrs. Elliott, to aid him to remove, upon the quashing of the forgery indictment brought by Mrs. Elliott against Dr. Irvine.

Several of St. John's vestrymen testified to hearing the bishop exclaim: "Well, boys, you have had your innings, now I will have mine."

Soon thereafter, as alleged by Dr. Irvine, the bishop and the Elliotts began their systematic persecution. After his deposition by the bishop, Dr. Irvine was unanimously petitioned by the vestry to remain and act as visiting clergyman, which he consented to do, but the bishop interposed his objection, and, although Dr. Irvine assumed a defiant attitude, he finally submitted and has not acted in any ministerial capacity since.

Archdeacon Leroy Baker of Harrisburg and Dr. Rogers Israel of Scranton, members of the ecclesiastical board of inquiry, testified to the adverse finding against Dr. Irvine on charges of immorality and unministerial conduct. Every inch of ground is being furiously fought over by the opposing counsel. The case may be carried over into next week.

Numerous witnesses identified the letter of Bishop Talbot to Mrs. Elliott in which he stigmatized Dr. Irvine as a "slim fellow" and advised Mrs. Elliott to have him convict him so that he could unfrock him.

SEWICKLEY Y. M. C. A. OFFERED FINE SITE

Donor Stipulates That Building Be Erected in Year--Five Acres for Athletics.

The Young Men's Christian association of Sewickley will hold a special meeting tonight, at which the offer of a site for a new building and athletic grounds will be considered. Harry W. Oliver has proffered the association a plot 190x150 feet at the corner of Division street and Blackburn avenue as the site for a new building and five acres adjoining for an athletic field.

The only stipulations attached to the offer are that the association, within one year, erect a suitable building on the site and secure the passage of an ordinance by borough councils establishing a building limit on Blackburn avenue, or Watson road, as it is often called, from Division to Beaver streets, so that the street may ultimately be of uniform width, and that the plot of five acres be used for the purposes stated in the deed of gift.

In case the ground is ever abandoned for that purpose, Mr. Oliver stipulates that it revert to the borough of Sewickley to be used for a public park.

The site offered by Mr. Oliver is one of the most beautiful in the valley, and is but a short distance from the business section of the borough. There is practically no doubt that the association will accept the offer with its stipulations, and plans are already making for the erection of a fine building. The site is just across the way from the famous Watson spring, from which a bountiful supply of pure water can be obtained. Blackburn avenue is already paved in front of the property.

GIRL GETS DAMAGES.

Awarded $5,000 Against Pennsylvania Railroad Company for Injuries.

ERIE, PA., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—The jury in common pleas court today awarded 18-year-old Lola Munsel a verdict of $5,000 against the Pennsylvania Railroad Company for injuries sustained in a grade crossing accident on the Philadelphia & Erie road at Corry last winter.

Her father gets $500. The rig in which the girl and her companion were returning from a dance was struck and wrecked by a fast train, the couple receiving severe injuries. Her companion, Earle Spencer, has also brought suit against the company.

His Search Interrupted.

Jennie Simpson, 16 years old, is held at Central station on a charge of running away from her home in Canton, O., last Monday. She was found at an Oakland house, where she was employed as a servant. While the police were arranging to notify her relatives a man giving his name as Andrew Simpson and his home at Canton, was arraigned on a charge of being a suspicious person. Simpson said he was in Pittsburgh hunting his runaway daughter and was drunk when arrested. Simpson was sent to the workhouse for 30 days.

Two Thought to Be Insane.

Howard Patenbach of Maryland avenue, East End, is being held at Central police station until an examination can be made into his sanity. He was arrested at Liberty avenue and Pearl street early yesterday morning. Norah Carothers, 23 years old, who has been employed as a domestic at No. 230 Ophelia street, is thought to be insane. She has been taken in charge by the department of charities and corrections.

BITNER IS HELD ON TWO CHARGES

Accused of Deserting Wife and Perjury in Obtaining License.

SAYS HE IS INNOCENT

Bridegroom, Who Wanted to to Marry Again, Disposed to Put Up a Fight—Father Goes on His Son's Bail Bond.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

ALTOONA, PA., Dec. 12.—Frederick A. Bitner, passenger brakeman and bridegroom-elect of Diamond street, Allegheny, who was prevented from marrying Miss Nora Henderson of Warrior Mark, Huntingdon county, continues defiant of the charges against him and shows a willingness for fight. Today he was held on the charge of desertion made by his wife. A hearing was waived.

His father, Alexander M. Bitner, a respected farmer of near Ligonier, Westmoreland county, appeared on the scene and went his son's bail for $500 at the next January term of Blair county court. He was also held on the charge of perjury. When he got his license to marry Miss Henderson from the prothonotary of Huntingdon county, he swore that he was unmarried. His father again went his bail in Huntingdon this evening for $1,000 for his appearance there at court.

It is said when Brakeman Bitner's father received an invitation to the Henderson wedding he was amazed and wrote his son for an explanation, but received no reply. Harry Barr of Braddock, who was to have been the groomsman at the proposed wedding, has returned home. The friends of Bitner here in railroad circles say the record at the trainmaster's office shows that he was in this city on the date set for the wedding. A movement is on foot to have the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, of which he was a member, come to his assistance.

Neither Bitner nor his attorneys will talk except to deny his guilt. When shown a dozen or more love letters he had written to Mrs. Bitner, addressing her as "my dear wife," and using other most affectionate terms, he continued to remain cool and declared himself innocent. It is understood that an effort will be made to prove in the courts that Bitner is not legally wedded to the New Kensington woman. Mrs. Bitner says her husband was kind and most affectionate. He was arranging to go to housekeeping with her in the spring.

Mrs. Bitner, when first told of the rumor that her husband was to wed Miss Henderson, refused to believe it. She had never heard of Miss Henderson until last Saturday. Mrs. Bitner, in company with her attorneys, left Tyrone tonight. She will return to her home at New Kensington.

NEW KENSINGTON, PA., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—The Bitner-Henderson marriage case excites interest here, this being the home of Mrs. Euphenia Bitner, whose maiden name was Mack, and whom Bitner is alleged to have married in Steubenville, O., on November 17. Mrs. Bitner lived here with her cousin, Mrs. David Shearer, and was a fashionable dressmaker. Mrs. Shearer stated that Mrs. Bitner said when she came here, after the wedding, that there were some queer proceedings in connection with the affair, which she did not understand.

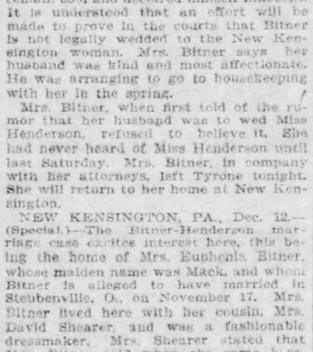
STEUBENVILLE, O., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—On November 17 Frederick A. Bitner, aged 29 years, and Euphenia Mack, aged 32 years, were married here by Squire Prentiss. He swore that the woman had not previously been married. The license was marked "don't publish" on the record.

K. O. T. M. Election.

Iron City tent, No. 279, Knights of the Macabees, elected the following officers for the ensuing year. P. C., A. J. Joyce; commander, James A. Carey; L. C., E. J. Hares; R. H. and F. R., S. E. Olin deputy grand commander; chaplain, L. M. Barto; medical examiner, A. F. P. Morris, M. D.; sergeant, H. P. Parker; M. A., L. J. Billingsley; first M. G., D. A. Graham; second M. G., H. M. Lesher; sentinel, H. B. Carter; picket, T. E. Hartman; trustee, three years, F. A. Weliman. Vick's K. O. T. M. orchestra rendered a good musical program and the degree work was exemplified, with six candidates, by Riverview tent team. Deputy Grand Commander Olin is building up this tent rapidly.

Two Trainmen Killed.

SHARON, PA., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—Clyde McCoy of Wheatland, aged 22 years, was killed at the Sharon steel works this morning by a train. He belonged to the local switching crew. After turning a switch and signalling the engineer to start his train, he slipped on some ice and fell under the wheels. T. G. Hartline of Erie, aged 22 years, brakeman on the Pennsylvania railroad, was killed near Transfer.



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The 11th anniversary of the central branch of the Young Women's Christian association will be celebrated in Christ Methodist Episcopal church, Liberty and Center avenue, East End, tomorrow night. The program includes an address of welcome by the pastor of the church, the Rev. Edwin A. Blake, and reports of the president, Mrs. S. E. Fense, and secretary, Miss Florence M. Brown.

The special address of the evening will be made by Mrs. S. D. Gordon of Cleveland, and will be along the line of association work. The association has expended about $40,000 this year and the number attending the various classes has reached over 1,300.

Will Talk on Marriage.

The eighth service of the present series of Sunday services of the Reform Congregation Rodeph Shalom, will be held in the temple tomorrow morning at 10:30 o'clock. The subject of the discourse by the Rev. J. Leonard Levy, will be, "Is Marriage a Failure?" The English ritual, written by Dr. Levy, will be used and during the service Mr. Merck of the Pittsburgh orchestra will furnish instrumental selections.

The congregation of the Welsh Presbyterian church will worship in the lecture room of their new church, in McDevitts place, tomorrow for the first time. The pastor, the Rev. Thomas B. Thomas, will preach on special subjects, his evening topic being, "The Work and the Reward." Communion will be observed at the morning service.

The most impressive scenes from "Quo Vadis," reproduced in colors by stereopticon, will illustrate the Rev. S. Edward Young's address on "What Faith Can Do," at the meeting for men only in the Bijou theater tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. Ruth Schaffer-Etnier will address the meeting for women only at the same hour in the Second Presbyterian church, Penn avenue. She will wear the costume of the high-class women of China. Benjamin Franklin Butts and chorus will render selections at the Bijou meeting.

Eulogy Upon Reed.

The quarterly meeting of the Women's Home Missionary society of the Pittsburgh and Allegheny presbyteries will be held on Wednesday morning next at 10 o'clock in the chapel of the First Presbyterian church, Arch street, Allegheny.

An eulogy on the late Thomas Brackett Reed, former speaker of the United States house of representatives, who died a week ago, will be the theme of a sermon by the Rev. Thomas Clayton in the First Congregational church, Allegheny, tomorrow evening.

The memorial services of Post No. 162, G. A. R., will be held in the Eleventh United Presbyterian church, Allegheny, tomorrow night. The Pastor of the church, the Rev. Charles F. Wishart, will preach a special memorial sermon.

At the St. Andrew's Evangelical Lutheran church, on Wednesday night, a special advent service will be held at 7:45 o'clock. The pastor of the church, the Rev. W. P. Sachs, will have charge of the services.

At the meeting of the Methodist Episcopal ministers on Monday morning next the Rev. J. T. Steffy, pastor of the Washington Avenue church, will read a paper on "The Growth and Development of Hymnology in Relation to Public Worship."

Presbyterian.

Point Breeze, W. S. Fulton—11 and 7:45.

South Side, S. A. Hunter—10:45 and 7:30.

Grace Memorial, N. B. Lanier—11 and 8.

Hazelwood, John M. Gaston—10:45 and 7:45.

East End, Alfred Nicholson—11, communion; 7:30.

Arlington Heights mission, Harry Campbell—7:30.

Herron Avenue, B. R. MacHatton—10:45, H. H. Emmett, 7:45.

Sixth, Pittsburgh, J. Shane Nicholls—10:30, "Resist Not Evil;" 7:30.

Welsh, T. B. Thomas—10:30, communion; 7, "The Work and the Reward."

East Liberty, Frank W. Sneed—11, "Discipleship;" 7:45, "Coming to Christ."

Bellefield, Henry T. McClelland—11, "The Great Enheartenment;" "His Obedience."

Believue, W. A. Haulstan—11, "Some Thoughts on Creed Revision;" 7:30, "John's Baptism: Its Mode."

Forty-third Street, U. S. Greves—10:30, "The Christian as Steward;" 7:45, "Signals," by M. W. Callender, general secretary P. R. R. Young Men's Christian association. Meeting for men only.

Homewood Avenue, Joseph P. Calhoun—11, communion, 7:30, post-communion sermon.

First, Allegheny, David S. Kennedy—10:45, "The Suffering Servant," communion, 7:45.

Third, Pittsburgh, William L. McEwan—11, communion; 7:45, "The Need of a Saviour."

Lawrenceville, A. R. Linn—10:30, "Heavenly Places;" 7:30, "Wronging Our Own Souls."

Wilkinsburg, Thomas Farry—11, "Bread the Emblem of Christ;" 7:45, "Seeking Asses, But Finding a Kingdom."

Mt. Washington, Charles S. McClelland—10:30, "The Parable of the Tares;" 7:45, "Books and Reading."

Watson Memorial, E. O. Sawhill—11, "The Joys of Heaven; What Are They?" 7:45, "The Education of the Heart."

First, Pittsburgh, Maitland Alexander—10:45, "The Fullness of Time;" 7:45, "Jonathan, a True Type of Friendship."

Central, Allegheny, J. A. Platts—11, communion; 7:45, "Why Do We Sit Still?" Services in Carnegie hall.

McCandless Avenue, H. D. Ewing—10:30, "Veil of the Temple Rent;" 7:30, "A Sabbath Miracle: Healing the Stooping."

Westminster, T. Ross Paden—10:45, communion; 7:45, "The Bible in the Public School," by H. H. George.

Second, Pittsburgh, S. Edward Young—10:30, "Why Have People Such Different Ways of Being Religious?" 3, Women's meeting; 7:30, "How to Get Rid of Our Worries."

United Presbyterian.

Ninth, Allegheny, A. M. Reed—11 and 7:45.

Third, Allegheny, A. H. Baldinger—11 and 7:45.

Etna, S. E. Irvine—11 and 7:45, "Christ's Command to Saul."

Eighth, Allegheny, W. J. Wishart—10:30, "Separations;" 7:45, "Tekel."

Ingram, J. E. Wishart—11, annual sermon; 7:45, "The Wind Was Contrary."

Mt. Washington, R. H. Hood—11, "The Engrafted Word;" 7:30, "Badness in Religion."

Fourth, Allegheny, Thomas Park—11, "Wondrous Love;" 7:45, "Matchless Grace."

Shadyside, J. K. McClurkin—11, "God Is Fire, Light, Love;" 7:45, "The Dew and the Lily."

Braddock, C. E. Hawes—10:45, "The Anchor of the Soul;" 7:30, "Does God Give Us a Chance?"

Sixth, Pittsburgh, R. M. Russell—11, "The Wise Attracted by Christ;" 7:45, "The Inner Life of Man."

Thirty-third Street, Albert Flick—11, "The Broad Commandment;" 7:30, "The Prodigal's Elder Brother."

Lincoln Avenue, W. A. Philips—11, "The Tenth Commandment;" 7:45, "The New Commandment of Love."

Third, Pittsburgh, J. T. McCrory—10:45, "How God's Favor Is Assured;" 7:45, "Empowered for Victory."

First, Pittsburgh, William J. Reid—10:45, "Relief from the Rush of Life;" 7:45, "Our Responsibility for Despair."

Duquesne Park chapel, Robert C. Douds—11, "What It Costs to Be a Christian;" 7:45, "Am I My Brother's Keeper?"

Eleventh, Allegheny, W. F. Wishart—10:45, "Three Tabernacles or Three Taverns;" 7:45, memorial services G. A. R. Post No. 162.

Eleventh, Pittsburgh, W. R. Thompson—10:30, "God's Regard for the Individual—In the Mass;" 7:30, "True Friendship, Exemplified by Jonathan."

Reformed Presbyterians.

Euclid Avenue, Thomas Watters—11, "The Atonement;" 3, "Genuine Discipleship."

Allegheny, W. J. Coleman—10:30, "The Door Opened to the Gentiles;" 8, "The Election of Grace."

Wilkinsburg, R. C. Wylie—11, "Christ's Second Coming: Its Certainty;" 7:30, "The Restoring of the Soul to New Life."

Eighth Street, David McAllister—10:30, "Three Bible Lessons on Parental Duties;" 2, "The Hope That Maketh Not Ashamed."

Methodist Episcopal.

Centenary, N. L. Brown—10:30 and 7:30.

West End, D. Flannigan—10:30, communion; 7:30.

Buena Vista Street, J. M. Mackey—10:30 and 7:30.

North Avenue, E. L. Eaton—10:30 and 7:45, "Out of the Palm-Life."

Oakland, Thomas J. Leak—10:45, "Bringing in the Tithes;" 7:45, "Honesty."

Union, D. L. Johnson—10:30, "Christian Privileges;" 7:30, "Hopefulness."

Asbury, Arthur D. Minke—11, "A Majority Report;" 7:45, "Life: Is It Worth Living?"

Smithfield Street, W. H. W. Rees—11 and 8, Arthur Stuple, president of Beaver College.

Pacific Avenue, Allen S. Blackmore—11, "Bethel and Peniel;" 7:45, "Peter's Recovery."

Mt. Washington, L. S. Wilkinson—10:30, "Fixing the Responsibility;" 7:30, T. N. Boyle.

North End, N. H. Sanner—11, "Presumptuous Sins;" 7:30, "The Need of Christ at Eventide."

Calvary, Allegheny, James M. Thoburn, Jr.—10:30, "Jacob's Ladder;" 7:45, "Buying Opportunity."

Friendship Park, R. I. McKee—10:30, "The Life Beyond;" 7:30, "The Man Who Delights in God's Law."

Lincoln Avenue, W. B. Slutz—11, "The Place of Prayer for Service;" 7:45, "Signs or Testimony in Faith."

Euclid Avenue, J. W. Jeffries—10:45, "The True Battle;" 3, C. S. Asberry of Monongahela City, 7:30, "A Useful Life."

Union Centenary, Oliver H. P. Graham—10:45, "The Divine Philosophy in the Distribution of Trouble;" 7:30, "Summing Up."

Christ, Edward A. Blake—11 and 7:45, "The Power of Woman," by Dr. Girden of Ohio. Young Women's Christian association anniversary.

Mifflin Avenue, Arthur Smith—11, communion; 7:30, "Isaiah's Mission to a Spiritually Insensible People: a Warning to the Gospel-Hardened."

Fifth Avenue, E. M. Wood—11, "How May a Man Know That He is a True Christian?" 7:45, "Mormonism, or Should Smoot be Admitted to the Senate?"

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Mount Olive, R. S. Lanes—10:45 and 7:45, communion, by A. M. Lewis.

Oakland, A. R. Stark—10:45, Miss Henrietta Morgan of Ganhotti, Assam; 7:45.

Library Avenue, W. W. Barker—7:30, "The Hidden Life;" by R. F. Woodburn.

Fifth Avenue, Thomas E. Jepson—11, "Spiritual Thirst;" 7:45, "The Supreme Voice."

Wylie Avenue, W. H. McElveen—11, "How to Come to the Bible;" 7:45, "The Peculiar Mark."

Fourth Avenue, W. H. Swallow—11 and 7:45, Emory W. Hutt, president of Dennison university.

Maple Avenue, A. Judson King—10:30, "The Light of Christian Love;" 7:45, "Joyous End of Life."

Wilkinsburg, John M. Moore—11, "Heaven Opened;" 7:45, "Ways That Seem Right and Are Wrong."

Sandusky Street, R. F. Woodburn—11, communion; 7:45, "The Raw Material of Life," by W. W. Barker.

Chatham Street, E. M. Jones—10:30, "The Unfettered Gospel;" 7:30, "A Good Name Better Than Riches."

First, McKeesport, J. A. Maxwell—10:30, "The Vital Center of Our Faith;" 7:30, "Condemnation Self-Inflicted."

Green Street Metropolitan, A. M. Lewis—10:45, "Building Upon Your Most Holy Faith." 3 and 7:45, R. J. Perkins.

Tabernacle, C. D. Patterson—10:30, "Finding Our Possibilities;" 7:45, "The Curse of the Pharisee in the Social Circle."

Shady Avenue, W. A. Stanton—11, "The Blessings of the Merciful and the Mourning;" 7:45, "Things That Must Be."

Beth-Eden, J. S. Hutson—10:30, "Does God Now Speak to Men?" 3, temperance rally, conducted by George H. Vibbert.

Christian.

First, Crafton—3, services in Lawson's hall.

East End, W. J. Russell—10:45 and 7:45, "Paul Preaching at Athens."

Bristol Street, W. N. Arnold—11, "Christian Hero Qualities;" 7:45, "Pilate's Wash-Basin."

Knoxville, F. M. Gordon—10:45, "Seven 'I Will's' of Christ;" 7:30, "The Man Who Defied Jesus."

First, McKeesport, Joseph A. Joyce—10:45, "Into His Death;" 7:30, "From Death Unto Life."

First, Allegheny, J. W. Kerns—11, "The Food That Sustains Life;" 7:45, "The Seven Wonders."

First, Hazelwood, S. W. Thornton—10:45, "Enlarge Thy Tenting Place;" 7:45, R. J. Bamber.

First, Wilkinsburg, L. N. D. Wells—10:45, "Religion in the Home;" 7:45, "Is the Young Man Safe?"

First, Braddock, O. H. Phillips—10:45, "The Relation of Christ to Private Property;" 7:45, "The Winning Soldier."

Duquesne, Harry F. Lutz—10:45, "The Easy Way to Raise Church Money;" 7:30, "Looking Through Colored Glasses."

Homestead, E. A. Isarworth—10:45, "Grandeur of the Christ Life;" 7:30, "Danger of Delay in Obeying Christ."

Central, C. L. Thurgood—10:30, "The Good Samaritan;" 7:45, "Some Perils in Our Winter Evenings." Sermons by Bruce L. Kershaw of Bethany, W. Va.

Observatory Hill, Allegheny, John A. Jayne—10:45, "Christian Women and Their Work in Missions;" 7:45, "Japan and Her People," by Naotaro Otsuka of Tokio. Illustrated.

Rowan Avenue, A. T. Campbell—11, Naotaro Otsuka of Tokio, Japan, in Japanese costume will lecture on "Japan and the Japanese as They are Today;" 8, "What Then Shall I do With Jesus."

Bellevue, J. H. Craig—11, "Sermon to the Church;" 3, "Sermon to Women Running Away from Duty, or in the Way of Duty;" 7:45, "Can I Certainly Know That I am Baptized?" Services conducted by Evangelist James Small.

Lutheran.

St. John's English, W. H. Fehr—10:30 and 7:30.

First, English, Pittsburgh, D. H. Geissinger—10:45 and 7:30.

St. Luke's English, J. W. Romich—10:45, "As It is in Heaven;" 7:45, "The Soul's Cry for Help."

St. Andrew's Evangelical, W. F. Sachs—10:45, "Are Thou He?" 7:45, "Help from the Hills of Mercy."

Calvary, Wilkinsburg, J. B. Markward—11, "Two Kinds of Greatness;" 7:45, "Wrong and Right Views of God."

Trinity, Alonzo J. Turkle—10:45, Marion J. Kline, secretary of the board of foreign missions; 7:45, "Reward and Labor Equal."

Methodist Protestant.

Trinity, 10:45, J. C. Broomfield—7:30, C. E. Wilbur.

Bellevue, George Shaffer—11, "The City of God;" 7:30, "The Signs of the Times."

Cumberland Presbyterian.

Second, Pittsburgh, W. F. Silveus—10:45, "Grace of Liberality;" 7:45, "Divine Gifts and Our Responsibility."

Congregational.

Puritan, George Marsh—10:30, "The Providence of God;" 7:30, "A Solemn Reality."

First, Pittsburgh, B. Gwenaydd Newton—10:45, "In Due Season;" 7:30, "Sweet Moderation."

First, Allegheny, Thomas Clayton—10:30, "A Man Sent From God;" 7:30, "Eulogy Upon a Great American, ex-Speaker Thomas B. Reed."

Reformed.

St. Marks, J. G. Walter—11, "King Herod;" 7:45, "Palm Triumphant."

Ascension, Allegheny, A. C. Dieffenbach—11, "The Present Day Work of Christ."

First, McKeesport, C. F. Althouse—11, "Samuel at 12;" 7:30, "Jesus at 12."

Spiritualist.

First, Allegheny, G. C. Day, speaker—2:45 and 7:45.

First, Homestead, Mrs. Celia Martha Clifford, medium—7:45.

Peoples, G. A. R. Hall, Allegheny, Mrs. J. S. Steele, medium—2:45 and 7:45.

Christian Science.

First Church of Christ, 11 and 8, "Sacrament;" communion.

Protestant Episcopal.

St. Peter's, E. H. Ward—10:45, "What Went Ye Out For to See?" 7:45, "The Answer of Jesus to John's Doubts."

Miscellaneous.

Wylie Avenue church, C. H. Pridgeon—10:45, 3 and 8.

Covenant Mission to the Jews, M. Ruben—8.

First Unitarian church, Pittsburgh, L. Walter Mason—10:45, "The Means of the Religious Life."

Church of God, J. L. Updegraph—11 and 7:45, "On the Stormy Sea," sixth in cartoon series.

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Boys' stylish overcoats—
Red, brown, oxford and greenish melton, made up into Russian, automobile, long overcoats and reefers; also Norfolk double-breasted and sailor suits, all colors, sizes 2½ to 16. Special sale price, 2.00

Boys' suits—
Fine quality 16 ounce hard serge sailor suits, in all shades; also nobby all-wool Norfolk, double-breasted and 3-piece suits, splendidly made, best trimmings, sizes 2½ to 16. Special sale price, 3.00

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Sentiment and money-saving knit together

IN this sale. Just a word for the sentiment—more practicability is being displayed in giving each year—the recipient thinks far more of us if we express our estimate of her taste with a sensible gift—a new cloak, a choice bit of fur is far fitter in its place than a useless trinket. But we must mix business with sentiment—these prices offer big inducements—they are lower than most stores' after-inventory sale prices.

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Fur scarfs—in fox, mink, electric seal or brown marten—straight long flat shape or cluster style—tail trimmed—the regular $6.50 scarfs reduced to 3.98

Double length scarfs—in fine blue lynx, squirrel, sable lynx, Alaska, Isabella or sable fox—the latest flat shape, trimmed with tails—the regular $25.00 scarfs, reduced to 16.50

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Girls' coats—full length, with or without large cape collar—in excellent all-wool cheviots, kerseys, etc.—all carefully made, some with umbrella back and the new puff sleeve with turn-back cuff—6.00 coats reduced to 3.49

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Very swell coats for girls in velvet, zibeline, kersey and Scotch materials—trimmed with lace, stitched silk or silk braid, also plain tailored—all lined with heavy silk—$15.00 coats reduced to 9.50

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Hose supporters—make a nice little gift for a man, one pair made of cable silk, put up in box for 25c

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HOW ONE CITY HAS ATTAINED GOOD GOVERNMENT

Baltimore Is Delighted With the Working of Its New Charter.

NO MORE FLOATING DEBT OR HIGH TAXES

The Magical Change Which Has Taken Place Inside of Four Years.

NEW ERA OF CIVIC RULE

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

Baltimore, Dec. 12.—I found a surprising state of affairs here. Usually, in making inquiries of city officials about the workings of government, one gets a bunch of growls and knocks, but here everyone seems to take a pride in letting you know how well things are going and in telling you what new achievements have been accomplished. The fire marshal was pointing with pride to the fact that he was buying hose at 50 per cent less than his department used to pay. The mayor was chuckling over the fact that he had found some surplus power at the High Service pumping station in Druid Hill park, and he had put in a dynamo and was now lighting the park without any additional cost of service and making a saving of $7,000 a year. The cost of street paving, I was told, had been reduced 50 per cent and better work was being done. The various lighting companies with which the city contracts had made big reductions in their charges, stimulated by the fact that the city was talking of buying an electric plant of its own. The controller summed up the situation by pointing out to me the following paragraph in his report for the fiscal year, ended December 31, 1901:

"In the three years of 1894, 1895, 1896, there was paid for interest on temporary loans $517,515 05, and the floating indebtedness increased in the same time by $332,106 99, making a total of $849,622 04. Against the same, the three years of 1899, 1900 and 1901, with but a part of the first year under the new charter, shows no incurrence of a floating debt, the payment of but $2,033 24 for interest on temporary loans occasioned by the late collection of 1899 taxes). The amount expended in the first three years under the old system, with the saving of the latter three years under the new charter, present the fact that the new condition for a period of three years has saved to the citizens of Baltimore the grand sum of $1,554,748 39.

How It Came About.

These results are not to be credited to any special political movement or uprising, and I find that people generally seem to look upon them as a windfall of luck or as a providential occurrence to uplift the municipal affairs just when the situation seemed hopeless. Baltimore is rather a poor city. Real estate is weak in value and taxes had become terribly burdensome. The bonded debt amounted to a little less than $40,000,000, consuming annually $1,500,000 of the city's revenue. A floating debt was a regular feature of municipal finances. The tax rate had mounted up to 22½ mills. The city government was constituted very much as it is now in Pittsburgh except that representation in the city councils was more equitable, as the wards are very nearly equal in population. The first branch of the city council, corresponding to Pittsburgh common council, was composed of one member from each ward, and the second branch, corresponding to Pittsburgh select council, was composed of one member from every two wards, united as one district for representation of the second branch. Baltimore used to be steadily Democratic, but in the general upheaval which followed the adoption of Bryan's free silver policy the Republicans carried the city. William T. Malster, a prominent merchant, was elected mayor by the Republicans, and he had a tempestuous time. Like every man who goes into public office when his authority is not commensurate with his responsibilities, he had all sorts of difficulties with the councils to secure attention to public interests and had to admit expedients which were not satisfactory to him nor to the public. There was a general feeling that something had to be done to save the city from ruin. A public demand sprang up for charter revision and in the fall of 1897 Mayor Malster appointed a commission to draft a new charter.

A Practical Commission.

The success of the enterprise is largely due to the practical character of the commission. The chairman was William Pinkney White, a prominent Democrat who had been governor of the state, a United States senator, and more recently mayor of the city of Baltimore. The next member was Ferdinand C. Latrobe, also a Democrat who had served a number of terms as mayor of the city. Another member was Daniel C. Gilman, president of the Johns Hopkins university. The other five members of the commission were well-known lawyers, two of whom had had large experience in the law department of the city government. Thus, half the commission was composed of men who were familiar through actual experience with every detail of the workings of the city government, and by the fact that President Gilman was a member of the commission, any aid which the economists and statisticans of Johns Hopkins university could render was at the service of the commission. The result of their labors was a voluminous instrument of government which is a code of laws as well as a charter. When the report of the commission reached the legislature at the session of 1898 it was in the form of an act repealing and re-enacting the entire code of the public local laws of Maryland relating to the city of Baltimore. It was so big and so multifarious as almost to baffle any detailed examination by the legislature. There was no party issue involved, so the legislature virtually shut its eyes and passed the law just as it came from the charter commission.

Although it is voluminous, the structure of government provided for is really very simple and its essential features can be readily engrafted upon any other municipal government. The principal change in the structure of the government was in the composition of the second branch of city council. This was reduced to nine members. The city was divided into four districts, each district electing two members to the second branch. Their terms are graded so that every four years the terms of four members expire, making the branch a perpetual body. The president of the branch is elected at large every four years, so that at every quadrennial election five members of the branch are chosen.

The Vital Principle of the System.

Other important changes are mainly in the matter of procedure. It is provided that the president of the second branch, the mayor, the city solicitor, the controller and the city engineer shall compose the board of estimates, of which the president of the second branch is chairman. Of this board, the city solicitor and the city engineer are appointed by the mayor, who is elected for a four-year term. The controller also is elected by the people for a four-year term. It is the duty of the board of estimates to submit the municipal budget, and as soon as its work is complete councils are convoked in special session and are required to meet daily for the consideration of the budget, transacting no other business until it has been passed. Councils can reduce any appropriation but cannot increase any. The tax rate also is fixed by the board of estimates, and councils cannot change this. There is no inducement for the board of estimates to fix a higher rate than is necessary, for any surplus of income from expenditures in any department does not remain to its credit, but is transferred by law to the sinking fund. It is also provided that any ordinance making an appropriation over $2,000, as soon as it has received its first reading in councils must be referred to the board of estimates for examination and report. Councils may ignore the recommendations of the board if they choose to do so, but its action is subject to the veto power of the mayor, which extends to the items of ordinances.

In case an ordinance conveys a franchise of any character, it must be referred to the board of estimates, which is required "to make diligent inquiry as to the money value of said franchise," and the board is authorized to make any changes it deems advisable as regards the amount of compensation and the terms and conditions of the grant. Councils have no power to make any changes in such an ordinance after it has been reported back from the board of estimates, but must pass it or reject it as it stands.

Experts are required in the following offices: City engineer, water engineer, harbor engineer, inspector of buildings, and commissioner of health. All heads of departments have the privilege of the floor at the sessions of the first branch of the city council, and are entitled to participate in the discussion of matters relating to their respective departments.

A Talk With the Mayor.

Thomas G. Hayes, who was one of the members of the charter commission, is the present mayor of Baltimore. He is a Democratic politician who was for a long while city attorney. I had a talk with him as to the practical working of the charter, and he could not praise it too highly. In speaking of the reduced expenses, and the increased efficiency of the city government, he said repeatedly: "Please do not think that I am claiming credit for these things. They are the natural outcome of the new city charter."

"Do you have any trouble in dealing with councilmen about city business?" I asked.

"Not at all," he replied; "that is a matter I do not bother about at all. It takes care of itself. The weak point of city government has been the city council. It participated in the administration to such extent that responsibility was uncertain, there was no settled control of things, and business went on in a haphazard manner. Now the vital principle of the new charter is simply this: Councils are absolutely confined to the work of legislation."

"But," I said, "can't they use their power vindictively to block legislation unless they are gratified in regard to appointments to office, or appropriations for matters in which they are interested?"

"They are so fixed," he replied, "that they cannot do anything without accepting full responsibility for what they do. When we first started in and began to make changes, cut down the number of people in the offices, etc., there was some kicking, and the passage of the appropriation ordinance was delayed. But what could they do? They had to meet day after day and discuss the matter; they could not transact any other business; the public was watching what they did, and the press was hammering at them, and finally they passed the ordinance."

"But don't they slash appropriations vindictively?"

"Yes, they may if they choose to take the risk, but they will hear from their constituents, and they know it."

I asked, "Does the mayor or any of the public officers introduce ordinances?"

He replied, "Not as a rule. Business goes on in the councils very much as it did before, only they cannot appropriate public money without the recommendation of the board of estimates. If some ordinance is introduced proposing new work or a change here or there, it has to be referred to the board of estimates, and we simply send it to the proper city department to have a detailed report made upon the advisability of the proposed work. We send that to the city council with our comments. It is spread upon its journals, it is reported in the papers, the public have the facts of the case fairly presented to them, and city councils have to bear the burden of that responsibility in its action on the matter. If they choose to ignore the recommendations of the board of estimates, then I can use my veto power."

"Do you use it much?" I asked. He smiled and said: "For awhile I think I had to veto about one-third of the ordinances passed. Matters are accommodated to the new system now. Councilmen find that it is a relief to them, as it is a relief to all of us. We all know exactly where we stand and what we can do."

No Floating Debt.

I next talked with the city controller, Jacob H. Smith, and asked him whether it was absolutely true that the city got along without having any floating debt. He said that it was absolutely true and that there would not and could not be any floating debt.

"How can you know, absolutely," I asked, "until you have got the accounts for the fiscal year made up?" He said: "I have a complete balance sheet, made up monthly. Three days after the end of every month I have on my desk a complete report from every department. If there is any falling off in the receipts below the amount estimated, we immediately scale the appropriations of every department correspondingly, and we know exactly where we stand all the time."

Mr. Smith showed me a balance sheet which he had received for the month of November. It was in his hands December 3, and covered every department, and every bureau and office in every department in detail. No private business corporation could possess a more minute statement of its affairs than is made up monthly in the operation of the Baltimore city government under its new charter.

The official figures given of some of the economies which have been accomplished are almost startling. For instance, a five-year contract for electric lighting was made in which the cost per lamp was reduced from $127 75 to $69 92 per annum, a saving of $27 83 per lamp. In contracts made for gas lighting, a saving of $9 96 per lamp per annum was made. The total annual saving in this department alone, compared to the cost prior to 1901, amounted to $112,448 98, although at the same time large extensions were made in the lighting service. The cost of the water department has been reduced so much that it has been found possible to reduce water rents to the gross amount of $170,000, although the previous rates were not half of Pittsburgh water rents. Mayor Hays says that he expects to be able, eventually, to make the water supply free altogether. The controller also said that the wheels of government worked smoothly, and that everybody was satisfied with the new charter.

The tax rate has been coming down steadily. In 1898, the year the new charter was adopted, the millage was 22½; it dropped to 19 8-10 in 1899, 16 7-10 in 1900. In 1901 it rose to 18 15-100. The big debt is a heavy load on the budget, as to meet the interest on that alone requires a millage of 4 6-10. The city tax rate includes everything, and there are no school taxes or county taxes to be paid in addition, as in Pittsburgh. The city is building subways to be rented to telephone and telegraph companies, and it is expected that the city will derive a good income from this source, while at the same time getting rid of overhead wires. Extraordinary outlay for improvements temporarily swelled the tax rate. The city already derives a large revenue from franchises and experts a steady increase from this source. The street railways pay 3 per cent of their gross receipts, and the amount received by the city from this source rose from $263,699 88 in 1898 to $304,158 55 in 1901. Controller Smith says the amount will reach $400,000 for 1902. From licenses of various kinds the city received $488,264 36 in 1901.

In addition to talking to city officials I talked to Johns Hopkins university professors, and I even got among the ward politicians, but found that the verdict of approval upon the new charter was unanimous. I asked one of the politicians how they managed to keep up their ward organizations under the restrictions put upon the authority of councils. "How does a councilman provide for his friends, nowadays, I asked."

He replied, "there is just as much patronage as ever there was, and while the councilman hasn't the same sort of a pull he used to, he can make his recommendations just as he used to, and if he is turned down, it is no fault of his. Organization men who are good workers get the offices, but they have to make good in them, and in the long run, that is best for the party. We don't have any dead ones to carry."

In general I got the idea that the new system was rather a relief to the working politicians, as it freed them from pressure that is often a great annoyance. I was also told that a different class of men were coming forward for councils, because personal character was becoming a more important factor. In order to exercise influence a man had to have personal weight. The "pull" and the "hold-up" have been eliminated.

The Schools a Storm Center.

The storm center since the adoption of the new charter has not been in the regular departments of the city government, but in the school board. One of the great reforms made by the new charter was to wipe out the school boards representing the wards. The schools were placed under the control of a commission of nine, appointed by the mayor for a term of six years, one-third retiring every two years. This board serves without pay and is selected from leading members of the community. They found themselves confronted with an impervious mass of privilege and formalism and they finally reached the conclusion that heroic measures were necessary. They started out by deciding to get the best man they could find for school superintendent and they went all the way to Denver, Col., to find the man they wanted. This caused a tremendous howl. When the work of weeding out incompetent teachers began the howl became a shriek of agony. The disturbed interests started a formidable agitation against the reform, and tried to induce the legislature to pass a bill providing that the school board should be chosen by popular election. At first it seemed as if the bill would go through the legislature with a whirl, but public sentiment rose up against any attempt to put the schools back into politics again. The Alumni association of the Baltimore City college worked hard against the bill, public meetings were held, and such was the concentration of public opinion upon the legislature that the bill was defeated. A new spirit has now entered into the schools. Teachers all feel that they are perfectly safe in their positions as long as they do their work, and that they stand upon merit and not upon political influence. This is the general testimony. Everybody to whom I spoke told me that there was no politics in the schools now, and that Baltimore now had a splendid school system.

I could come to no other conclusion from everything I heard but that Baltimore has solved the problem of municipal government to her thorough satisfaction.

HENRY J. FORD.

MITCHELL AGAIN GOES ON STAND

Gives Commission Comparison of Wages in Anthracite and Bituminous Fields.

MINERS HOUSES POOR

One Man Testifies to Wind Blowing Up Carpets—Roofs Are Not Inclined to Shed Water. Witness Owns House.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

SCRANTON, Dec. 12.—The greater part of today's sessions of the anthracite coal strike commission was taken up in presenting cumulative testimony on matters that have already been heard by the commission. This testimony was intended to show that there had been excessive docking; that many men were discriminated against because they went on strike rather than do the work of strikers; that they are paid one price for mine cars of all sizes; that they do not get paid for all the coal mined; that they should have the eight-hour day because the mines are unhealthful and dangerous, and that they ought to receive higher wages.

Late in the day President Mitchell was called to the witness stand and presented comparative figures which showed that men paid by the day receive from 40 to 50 per cent higher wages in the bituminous regions than they do in the anthracite fields. His figures of the anthracite fields were gathered by his own officers, and a barried comparison with the figures handed to the commission by the Delaware & Hudson Company, he said, showed that his were generally higher. The Delaware & Hudson's statistics are the only ones officially before the commission.

Ex-Clerk on Stand.

Thomas De Reemer of Hazleton, formerly employed as a clerk in the office of the Silver Brook Coal Company, explained to the commission how that company computed the miner's wages in giving him the 10 per cent increase in wages granted as a result of the 1900 strike. He testified that 2½ per cent was straight and the other 7½ per cent was represented in the reduction of powder, but it was done in such a way that the men did not actually get a 10 per cent increase, and sometimes, if they burned too much powder, were in debt to the company.

John Williams, another witness, testified that in 1896 there was a cave-in at the Twin Shaft, near Pittston, and 58 men were buried alive. The company made no effort to get them out and their bodies are still under the ground.

August Baker, a miner employed by J. S. Wentz & Co. at Hazlebrook, said he lived in a company house, for which he pays $4 70 per month. The houses are built on stumps. He built a cellar under his house for which the company allowed him one month's rent. He moved into another house and dug a cellar under that, but the company would not give him one month's rent for the improvement he made, for the reason that he should have stayed in the first house.

Roofs Not Water Proof.

He further testified that the houses are very poorly built. When it rains the occupants are compelled to place tubs and dish pans in the bedrooms on the second floor to catch the water which runs in from the roof. On the first floor the floor boards are so far apart that every time the wind blows it lifts the carpet in the house built on stumps.

He said that the superintendent of the colliery told him that if he expected good work he must deal in the company store. Prices for most articles were double the price charged in Hazleton.

On cross-examination he said he owns a house which brings him $15 a month. The company's payroll shows that last year Baker earned over $800, and his two sons, also working at the colliery, increased these earnings to more than $1,500 for the year.

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CLEVELAND, Dec. 12.—At a meeting of the trustees of the McKinley National Memorial association to be held some time during next month an invitation will be extended to artists throughout the country to submit designs for the construction of the monument at Canton.

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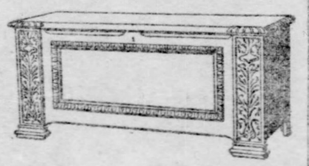

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PULLIAM IS LEAGUE PRESIDENT

DREYFUSS WEPT OVER HIS LOSS

Pulliam's Good Fortune Is the Pirate President's Grief.

LEAGUE ADJOURNS

By JAMES M. NELLIS.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—When the announcement that Harry C. Pulliam, secretary of the Pittsburg club, had been elected president, secretary and treasurer of the National league, was made in the meeting room of the magnates today, President Dreyfuss of the Pittsburgh club broke down and cried like a child. All present could understand his grief, as he loses an assistant who was more like a brother than an employe, the friendship existing between the two being stronger than any bond of mutual business interest.

The culminating act on the part of the National league magnates shows that Pittsburgh has been the whole thing here at this meeting. Pulliam was nominated by President Hart of Chicago, and to the surprise of everybody, the nomination was seconded by John T. Brush, and the vote being thus made unanimous, Pulliam would not otherwise have accepted. Brush held off until the last minute, hoping for the appearance of the executive committee, but finding himself alone, gracefully bowed to the will of the majority, and thus restored the harmony which has so long been sought.

Pulliam's Active Career.

The new president, secretary and treasurer of the National league broke into baseball from a newspaper office. The "Colonel," as he is familiarly known, was born in old Kentucky and was the sporting editor of the Louisville Courier-Journal. In 1895 his health failed and he was advised to seek out-of-door work. Dr. Stuckey, who was president of the Louisville baseball club, offered him the position of financial secretary of the club. He accepted, but after filling the position for six months, returned to newspaper work, becoming city editor and afterward night editor of the Louisville Commercial.

The following season he returned to baseball again, and in 1897 was president of the Louisville club. When the Pittsburgh and Louisville clubs were consolidated in 1899 Pulliam went to the Smoky city as secretary of the club, and has remained there ever since.

The new position will force him to give up his residence in Pittsburgh and establish himself here, a matter he regrets, as he has made many warm friends in the Smoky city. He assumes the duties of the new position on the 1st of January, and says he will spend his time traveling about the league and trying to promote harmony between clubs and players. President Dreyfuss says that in case he becomes tired of his new job the old one will always be open to him. The new position carries with it a salary of $6,000 per year.

Pulliam Cements the Peace.

With the coming of Pulliam as president also comes an ending of the baseball war. This was practically settled today, when the National league peace committee and the officials of the American league met in conference at the Criterion hotel. Ban Johnson, president of the American league; Vice President Somers and Owner Kilfoyle of the Cleveland club met the committee and Mr. Johnson, who was spokesman for the party, said they were not empowered to act for the American league, but assured the National leaguers that at the annual meeting of the American to be held shortly he would appoint a peace committee, and a meeting of the two committees will be called on or before the 5th of January.

It is generally conceded by even the most rabid American league shouter here that with the coming of peace will end all talk or thought of placing an opposition club in Pittsburgh. Frank Hough, secretary of the Philadelphia club, and one of Ban Johnson's confidential advisers, admitted this today and said that there would likely be no change of territory made by either league. This, however, will not exclude an American league club from New York.

Differ on Two-Club Plan.

On the matter of two clubs in one town there is a divergence of opinion. Some people hold that two teams will play in New York and Chicago, but the majority opinion is that a division of sympathy and enthusiasm is injurious to the game. In support of this argument, it was pointed out that the National and American league clubs in Chicago lost money last season. Ashley Lloyd, one of the owners of the New York Nationals, said the history of the game shows that two clubs in one town never proved a financial success.

The National league magnates spent the afternoon discussing the cases of Dunkhamp and other players of the two clubs. In the Dunkhamp case, John I. Rogers of Philadelphia put in a strong claim for the player, asserting that he was still the property of that club. The matter was settled in much more heated argument than the magnates care to admit. The entire affair was turned over to a new board of direction, whose action in the case will be final. The board consists of Messrs. Brush of New York, Ebbitts of Brooklyn, Dreyfuss of Pittsburgh and Hart of Chicago.

Another Meeting Necessary.

After clearing up this matter the magnates adjourned to meet again at the call of the president. This meeting will likely be held after the conference between the peace committees on January 1, when it is decided today to start in anew on the matter of the use of Manhattan field, and in the future there is to be no transferring football games and other events to that park in order to fatten the purse of the New York club.

On the question of a new secretary for the Pittsburgh club to fill the position made vacant by the promotion of Harry Pulliam, President Dreyfuss said tonight that he had not given the subject a thought and would not for a week or two. The Pirates' owner is all broken up over the loss of Pulliam, and has time to think the matter over. President Hart of the Chicago club said after the meeting:

"Well, we had to weaken that Pittsburgh club some way, so we took their secretary from them."

The corridor of the Victoria hotel, which is the meeting place of the National league, was filled with baseball people today. There were club owners, managers, players and umpires, and nearly all agreed that the National league had made the proper move in its effort to restore peace and good will to the game.

Players Don't Want Peace.

The only dissenters were the players, who have been doing a big office business since the war started and who see a reduction of fat salaries staring them in the face.

Tonight Ban Johnson and his fellow American league officials tendered an informal supper to the local sporting editors and visiting correspondents at the Criterion hotel. There was quite a lot of speechmaking, with "contract jumping" as the subject for discussion, and there was a unanimity of opinion against the contract jumpers.

The National league magnates before adjourning today paid a graceful tribute to their aid and faithful secretary, Nick Young, who, in stepping down and out today, severed a 32 years' connection with baseball. In recognition of his long and faithful work, he was made a National league director for life.

The following new board of directors was elected by the Nationals: John T. Brush, New York; A. H. Soden, Boston; Barney Dreyfuss, Pittsburgh, and James A. Hart, Chicago. The board organized at the conclusion of the regular session of the league and then adjourned without having transacted any business of importance.

FORFEIT MONEY RECEIVED.

Mathews and Ferns Both Training Hard for Their Fight Here.

Matty Mathews and Rube Ferns have sent in their $100 forfeits for weight and appearance in their 10-round contest in Allegheny December 22. Mathews wired from Savannah, where he knock out Owen Ziegler the other night, that he would be over for this city requesting that training quarters be selected for him. The Brooklyn boxer wants to be at his best for this affair to redeem his loss of the welterweight championship to Ferns at Toronto a year ago.

WILMERDING VICTORIOUS.

E. L. A. Basketball Team Defeated by a Score of 37 to 12.

The Wilmerding Y. M. C. A. basketball team defeated the East Liberty Academy five at Wilmerding last night by a score of 37 to 12. Lineup:

Wilmerding—37.		E. L. A.—12.
Mihollanl	L. F.	Bauer
Wood	R. F.	Green
Mitchell	Center	Sible
Grahlan	L. G.	Roesing
Hilliard	R. G.	Taylor

Allegheny Defeated Edenboro.

MEADVILLE, PA., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—Allegheny college defeated Edinboro by the score of 32 to 8 here tonight. Allegheny's four men all showed up well, while Lapoe, Williams and Jackson displayed their old-time form. For the visitors Amidon was the star.

REYNOR,
a Local Hockey Favorite, Who Played Center for P. A. C. Last Night.

VICTORIA WON A FAST CONTEST

P. A. C. Skaters Downed by Score of 3 to 2. Play Was Rough.

BETTER TEAM WORK

In one of the fastest hockey contests of the season, which held its full share of rough playing, the new Victoria team defeated the P. A. C. seven last night at Duquesne garden by a score of 3 to 2. The new Canadian experts whom Sixsmith, the former captain of the champion Keystone team, has gathered together in this, the third game of the schedule, strengthened the favorable impression created last Friday when the Keystone leaders of last year were downed by a score of 7 to 1.

Though it was a very even contest and both sides offered the fastest kind of hockey, the Victorias were the steadier and surer in their play, and the victory must be attributed to superior team work more than to anything else.

While not as rough as some of the previous games, there was a very free use of sticks, and the efforts at tripping and foot chopping with the sticks were easily apparent throughout.

Sixsmith Painfully Hurt.

Quite a number of the contestants were benched, and in the middle of the second half the free play resulted in the retirement of Capt. Arthur Sixsmith from a severe dig received from a skate in one of the scrimmages. He was out for the rest of the half, but returned in the second. Either Referee Russell did not care to be as severe as in former games, where he has kept the roughness to a minimum, or else it was impossible for him to see all that was going on. Sixsmith's injury was of the accidental sort, but if the play was not quite so careless there would not be so many accidents to explain. The open brawling seen often in the past was absent, but there were plenty of swipes made with the wood regardless.

The whole Victoria team seemed to be playing the best they knew how, but if mention is made of any it must be of Duval. His lofts for the net are the surest ever seen here and he is very clever in getting away with his opponent. Stoners made some hard stops at goal, but Lamb kept pace with him and the pucks would rare been nigher.

The first time the fast Victoria team of P. A. C. played a relentless and aggressive game, but they appeared to tire easier than Victoria and lacked a little in team work.

Score at the Very Start.

The first half ended with the score of 2 to 1 in Victoria's favor. Stuart made the first goal straight from the opening face-off, carrying it down through the field by clever work. C. M. Sixsmith scored the second about two minutes later from a scrimmage near the net. Toward the close of the half McCarron got one in for P. A. C. following from Shields.

After 10 minutes of the second half Shields made a pretty dash down the side of the rink and his shot went between stoothers' legs. Thero was enthusiasm for P. A. C. then, but Victoria again took the lead, with the prettiest play of the game. Henery got the puck near his own net, stealing it from the P. A. C. forwards by clever work. He then passed his fourstorn and most artfully evaded both point and coverpoint with the aid of Stuart. His shot was sent out by Lamb, but Stuart forced it back for the winning score. The line-up:

Victoria—3.		P. A. C.—2.
Stoners	Goal	Lamb
Steen	Point	Hamilton
Duval	Coverpoint	Young
B. Brunet	Center	Reynor
A. E. Sixsmith and McArtnur	Forward	Robinson
C. M. Sixsmith	Left wing	McCarron
H. Hendry	Right wing	Shields

Goals—Stuart 2, C. M. Sixsmith, McCarron, Shields. Goal judges—James Barr and Jonas Hall.

INJURIES RETIRE THE SIX-DAY BIKE RIDERS

Butler and Stinson Are Out. Leander Is Now a Favorite.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—At midnight tonight eight of the original 16 teams remained in the six-day cycle race in Madison Square garden. They were a pitiable looking lot of pedaliers, and they were more than 200 miles behind the record. During the afternoon "Nat" Butler was so badly injured that he was forced to retire with his partner, Turville. Stinson also was hurt in a fall, and it developed that he had been riding for several days with a fractured collarbone.

Unquestionably the strongest rider left in the race tonight was George Leander. It is the prevailing opinion that if Floyd Krebs is able to hold his own Leander should win. Leander was forced to relieve his team mate so frequently today, however, that unless he obtains sufficient rest tomorrow, all the work may be taken out of him. In the final dash J. P. Jacobsen is expected to be a strong factor, though he, too, is handicapped by a weary cornerer.

If Maya and McFarland manage to regain the lap that separates them from the leaders it is believed they will have an excellent chance to win in the sprint. A lap, however, is a long way to go when the race is so near its end.

At midnight the score stood:

	Miles.	Laps.
Newkirk and Jacobson	2,089	3
Leander and Floyd Krebs	2,089	3
McFarland and Maya	2,089	4
Stinson and Moran	2,089	4
J. Bedell and M. Beddell	2,089	4
Galvin and Root	2,089	4
Keegan and Peterson	2,089	3
Barclay and Franz Krebs	2,089	1

Have You Catarrh Taint?—Here's strong evidence of the quickness and supreme merit of that wonderful remedy, Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder: "For years I was a victim of chronic catarrh—tried many remedies, but no cure was effected until I had procured and used Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder. First application gave me instant relief, and in an incredibly short while I was absolutely cured."—James Headley, Dundee, N. Y.—18.

GATES AT RACES IN NEW ORLEANS

If You Dare Bought for $1,000--Two Long Shots Were Winners.

ODDS 20 AND 15 TO 1

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 12.—Little Scout and Shoo Fly were the beaten favorites today. If You Dare was run up to $1,000 and bought in. John W. Gates was among the spectators. Weather cloudy; track heavy. Summaries:

First race, 5½ furlongs—Tom Maybin, 105, Buchanan, 6 to 5, won; Florentan, 106, Helgerson, 7 to 2, second; John Carney, 96, J. Williams, 60 to 1, third. Time, 1:14 3-5. Lord Touchwood, Marco, Anzelger, Ravenspur, Spec, Sidney Sabath, In Bond and the Wizard also ran.

Second race, selling, 7 furlongs—If You Dare, 115, Gannon, 4 to 5, won; Joe Lesser, 107, Fauntleroy, 12 to 1, second; Doeskin, 107, Fuller, 9 to 1, third. Time, 1:34 4-5. Pierce J. Henry of Framstamar, Aline Abbott, Bedlam and Le Moyne also ran.

Third race, mile—Hanover Queen, 100, J. Fisher, 25 to 1, won; Little Scout, 112, J. Conley, 9 to 10, second; Scotch Plaid, 109, Buchanan, 13 to 5, third. Time, 1:51 3-5. Major Mansir and Huntress also ran.

Fourth race, 6 furlongs, handicap—Scorpio, 118, Gannon, 12 to 20, won; Travers, 97, Helgerson, 3 to 1, second; W. J. Deboe, 112, Otis, 4 to 1, third. Time, 1:19 2-5. Three starters.

Fifth race, selling, 1⅛ miles—Jessie Jarboe, 102, W. Hicks, 8 to 5, won; Prince Blazes, 102, Treanor, 16 to 5, second; Gautama, 104, J. Conley, 60 to 1, third. Time, 2:03 2-5. Inspector Shea, Marcos, Cogswell, Tour and Sitfoline also ran.

Sixth race, 6 furlongs—Mrs. Frank Foster, 107, Fitzgerald, 20 to 1, won; Aurie B., 102, W. Hicks, 5 to 2, second; Shoofly, 102, Gannon, 8 to 5, third. Time, 1:22. Lucile Adele, Wilton, Embrance, Pickles and Helen Hall also ran.

Tomorow's entries:

First race, selling, 5½ furlongs—Sand Flea, Ace of Spades, 104; Alunza, Four Leaf C., Ben Moore, Sister Sarah, 100; Dave Waldo, 102; Russellton, Montanic, Uterp, 114; Frank Kenny, James J. Corbett, 117.

Second race, purse, mile—Robert G. Lansing, 88; Aurie B., Wilful, 90; Sheriff Bell, Prince of Endurance, 100; Inspector Shea, 102; Ray, 112.

Third race, 6 furlongs, purse—Glen Nevis, 90; Doeskin, Lady Alberta, Sailor, Cadmus, 99; John Peters, Delectable, Andes, 107; Antonius, 113; The Lady, 115.

Fourth race, preliminary derby handicap, 2-year-olds, $1,500 added, 6 furlongs—Pageant, 97; Brookston, Welcome Light, 109; Lord Touchwood, 105; Canyon, Handspinner, 106; Farmer Jim, Pride of Galore, 107; Bender, Oronte, 103; Lord Melbourne, 110; Sweet Alice, 105; Rittiandiller, 116, Sheriff Bell, 115; Charline, 116; Henry McDaniel, 118; Prince of Endurance, 120.

Fifth race, handicap, 1 1-16 miles—Scotch Plaid, 109; Jessie Jarboe, 102; Death, C. B. Campbell, 106.

Sixth race, selling, 1¼ miles—Potheen, 90; Irving Mayer, Compass, Georgia Gardner, 98; Latson, 104; Barrack, 113.

SCHOOL BASKETBALL LEAGUE FOR HARMONY

Students Can Compete in Local Games—Schedule Adopted.

The discord which last winter marked the season of the interscholastic basketball league will be absent from this winter's sport if the action in favor of harmony taken at yesterday's meeting of the organization is any criterion of the spirit to be followed throughout. In addition to organizing a four club league the representatives of the four schools agreed to an amendment of the clause in last year's constitution which declared ineligible school players who took part in games of the major league.

This caused a continual protesting of games and left the championship question in a muddle at the end of the season, though Pittsburgh High school beat those teams. The amendment of the constitution will allow High school to play Nickel, who competes for South Side, in the Allegheny County league. Schofield, the Shadyside player, protested last year, will also be eligible.

The league organized yesterday consists of Pittsburgh High school, Shadyside academy, East Liberty academy and Pittsburgh academy. The latter's new school building will take the place of Allegheny Preparatory. P. A. will use the High school floor in all probability as its own is unsuited for a regulation game. The schedule of games adopted was as follows:

House—Tuesday, January 13, E. L. A. vs. S. A.; Friday, Jan uary 16, P. H. S. vs. P. A.; Tuesday, January 20, P. A. vs. E. L. A.; Friday, January 23, P. H. S. vs. S. A.; Tuesday, January 27, S. S. A. vs. E. L. A.; Friday, January 30, P. A. vs. P. H. S.; Tuesday, February 3, E. L. A. vs. P. A.; Friday, February 6, P. H. S. vs. E. L. A.; Tuesday, February 10, P. A. vs. S. S. A.; Friday, February 13, E. L. A. vs. P. H. S.; Tuesday, February 17, S. S. A. vs. P. H. S.; Tuesday, February 20, S. S. A. vs. P. A.

WRESTLER REINICKE LOST TO SCHOENLEIN

BALTIMORE, Dec. 12.—August Schoenlein ("American") of this city won a hard fought wrestling bout tonight, from Charles Reinecke of Pittsburgh. The conditions were best two in three falls, catch-as-catch-can style. "Americus" won the first bout in 34 minutes.

After 31 minutes of clever work, during which neither man seemed to have the advantage, "Americus" secured a hammerlock and held the Pittsburgh man as in a vise for three minutes, finally pinning him to the mat.

Reinecke claims that his left arm was sprained in this hold. After nine minutes' wrestling in the second bout he was unfit to go on with the match. Physicians think Reinecke's shoulder is dislocated.

Reinecke weighed 157 pounds and "Americus" 148. Both are aspirants for welter-weight championship honors.

M'CLELLAND MATCHED WITH HUGH M'PADDEN

ST. LOUIS, MO., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—Jack McClelland's manager, Jimmy Mason, signed articles and posted forfeits today to fight Hugh McPadden of Brooklyn here next Thursday night before the West End club. McPadden beat Mike Tuthis here last night and they are pulling him out only as a sure winner, but they say he will put Jack away before the end of the 20th round.

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Location of Grounds to Be Announced Within a Few Days.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—President Ban Johnson of the American league had the following to say after the adjournment of the National league meeting:

"There is little to say regarding the proposed peace conference. My people are for peace first, last and all the time. I don't know why an amicable arrangement should not be reached."

Mr. Johnson admitted that under no circumstances would the American league consent to withdraw from New York. He further intimated that a statement as to the exact location of the new grounds might be looked for in a day or two. The American league will, it is understood, insist that contracts with players now signed be rigidly lived up to. The Americans will also insist that each organization retains the players it now has, and that severe penalties be meted out to those who violate contracts.

INDIANA'S FIRST VISIT HERE.

Interstate Basketball Team Will Play South Side Tonight.

The Indiana basketball team, one of the strongest in the Interstate league, will meet the South Side five of the Allegheny County league on the latter's floor tonight. At Indiana two weeks ago the Interstaters won by four points, but South Side claims its strongest team was not on the floor. Indiana decisively defeated Manchester on Thursday night. This will be the Indiana boys' first appearance in Pittsburgh. The line-up:

Indiana.		South Side.
E. Moreicht	R. F.	Liebur
Ellis	L. F.	Leithead-Schaffer
St. Clair-Luly	C.	Nickel-Davies
F. McCreight	R. G.	Widerknecht-Bradley
Moorhead-Senor	L. G.	Williams-Steigenbach

The preliminary will be between Bloomfield and South Side Juniors. Ike Little will referee.

All-Stars Will Play Sharpsburgh.

An all-star basketball team selected from several 15-year-old teams plays the Sharpsburg Juniors at Sharpsburg tonight. The team will lineup as follows: Armor and Hibbs of the Crafton Juniors, forwards; Kearney of the Railroad Juniors, center; Fairman of Arlington A. C. and Gilles pie of the Railroad Juniors, guards. The members will meet at the corner of Fifth avenue and Market street at 6:30 p. m.

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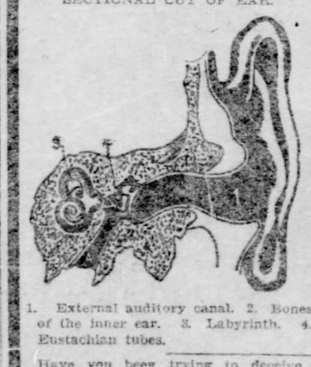

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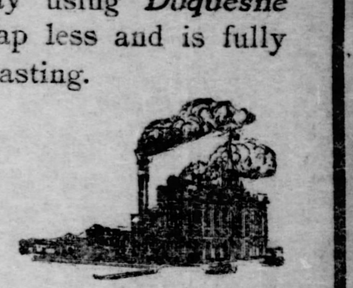

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FOR PHILADELPHIA, NEW YORK, BALTIMORE AND WASHINGTON.

Atlantic Express, daily	3:03 a. m.
Pennsylvania Limited, daily	7:15 a. m.
Day Express, daily	7:20 a. m.
Main Line Express, daily	8:00 a. m.
Harrisburg Mail, daily	12:45 p. m.
Harrisburg Express, daily	4:40 p. m.
Philadelphia Express, daily	7:00 p. m.
Eastern Express, daily	7:10 p. m.
Fast Line, daily	9:00 p. m.

"Pittsburgh Limited," daily, for New York, Baltimore and Washington only 10:00 a. m.

The Pennsylvania Special, daily, for Philadelphia and New York, 11:25 p. m.

Philadelphia Mail, Sundays only 8:40 a. m.

For Buffalo and Niagara Falls, 9 a. m. and 10:45 p. m. daily.

For Oil City, 6:15, 9:00 a. m., 1:30, 5:05 and 10:45 p. m. week-days. Sundays, 9:00 a. m., 9:00 and 10:45 p. m.

For Titusville and Corry, 6:15, 9:00 a. m. and 10:45 p. m. week days. Sundays, 9:00 a. m. and 10:45 p. m.

For Kane, week days, 1:30 p. m. week-days.

For DuBois, 6:15, 9:00 a. m., 1:30 and 5:05 p. m., week-days. Sundays, 9:00 a. m. and 5:05 p. m.

For Clarion, 6:15, 9:00 a. m., 1:30 and 5:05 p. m. week-days. Sundays, 9:00 a. m. and 5:05 p. m.

For Du Bois, Punxsutawney, Reynoldsville and Brockway, 9:00 a. m. and 5:05 p. m. week-days.

For Ridgway, Clermont and Kane, 9:00 a. m. week-days.

For Allegheny City (via Sharpsburg Bridge), 6:00, 7:00, 8:00, 9:00, 10:00, 11:00 a. m., 12:02, 1:00, 2:00, 3:00, 4:00, 5:00, 6:00, 7:00, 8:00, 9:00, 10:00, 11:00 p. m. Sundays, 1:00, 2:00, 3:00, 4:00, 5:00, 6:00, 7:00, 8:00, 9:00, 10:00, 11:00 p. m.

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B. & O. Officials Discuss Wage Raise

An important meeting of officials of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad was held yesterday at Cumberland, Md. The two subjects under discussion were the general demand among Baltimore & Ohio employes for an increase in wages corresponding to similar increases on other systems and the means to relieve the present freight congestion. General Superintendent T. Fitzgerald of Baltimore represented the lines east of the Ohio river, and Cumberland and the western lines were represented by officials of the general superintendency at Pittsburgh. E. W. Ouer, superintendent of the Pittsburgh division, with H. R. Hanlon, chief clerk, attended the meeting, and the other divisions were likewise represented by the superintendents and chief clerks.

Baltimore & Ohio men are taking a lively interest in the wage increase, based on the general report that a raise will go into effect January 1. Whether this is correct remains to be seen, as no official announcement has been made.

A telegram to The Gazette from Cumberland states that the yards at Cumberland and Cherry Run are overstocked with loaded cars, and that unless prompt relief can be obtained the coal mines in West Virginia and in the Georges Creek region near Cumberland may be forced to suspend temporarily.

NORTHWESTERN TO MOVE.

Park Building Offices Will Be Given Up for Another Site.

The Chicago & Northwestern railway will give up the present passenger and freight offices on the ground floor of the Smithfield side of the Park building April 1. The Northwestern is now seeking another ground floor office conveniently situated in this city. As yet no announcement of this new location has been made.

T. S. Rattle, assistant general freight agent, and C. A. Cairns, assistant general passenger agent of the Northwestern, were in Pittsburgh yesterday in conference with General Agent A. Q. Tallant on this matter. The present offices of the company are furnished in excellent style, no other line except the Wabash equalling the Northwestern in the fineness of office furnishings. An equally fine setting for the new offices is planned.

Pays $1 a Day for 3000 Cars.

An illustration of the urgent need of the Pennsylvania for all the cars it can secure is the fact that it is holding at a daily rental of $1, about 1,500 cars of the Jersey Central and as many more of the Reading. These two roads loaned the cars to the Pennsylvania during the anthracite coal strike. Now that they need all their own cars they are clamoring for their return, but the Pennsylvania is slow about sending them back. Under the per diem system of freight car charges it costs the borrowing company 25 cents a day for the first 30 days, then for the next 10 days 30 cents a day, after which the charges are $1 the car. No less than $3,000 a day is now being paid by the Pennsylvania for the use of these cars and the road considers itself fortunate to get them at the price.

Many Railroad Men in Town.

An unusually large number of out-of-town railroad men visited the city yesterday. In the number were J. A. Middleton, general freight agent of the Pittsburg system, St. Louis; G. G. Parsley, commercial agent, Kansas City Southern, Chicago; S. C. Harvey, general traveling agent, Ohio Central lines, Toledo; R. McC. Smith, southern passenger agent, Grand Trunk, Detroit; Frank Hart, general traveling passenger agent, Colorado Midland, Chicago; W. H. Lockwood, traveling agent, import department, American Express Company.

RAILROAD NOTES.

W. D. Holliday, assistant general freight agent of the Wabash and Wheeling & Lake Erie, left last night to go over the Wheeling & Lake Erie with H. J. Booth, traffic manager, and General Manager Blickensderfer.

George N. Lukens, formerly of the passenger agent of the Pennsylvania at Pittsburgh, now with a New York glass company, was in Pittsburgh yesterday.

It is announced at the office of the Kansas City, Mexico & Orient that the entire line from Kansas City to Port Arthur will be decided upon within 90 days. Less than 600 miles of the 1,600 remain to be adopted.

Harry A. Bishop, formerly connected with the New York, New Haven & Hartford, has been made vice president of the Western Maryland, with headquarters at Baltimore.

It is understood that Charles M. Heald, president of the Pere Marquette, will retire when the new syndicate assumes the management of that property.

F. L. Blendinger, superintendent of telegraphs of the Erie, has retired after 25 years of consecutive service.

WOMEN OPPOSE ELEVATED.

Their Civic Committee Adopts Resolution for the Protection of Liberty Avenue.

The Permanent Civic committee, composed of members of women's clubs, at a meeting yesterday in the rooms of the Twentieth Century club adopted a resolution denouncing the granting of franchises by councils for any elevated railroad within the limits of the city. Subways were suggested as a remedy for the congestion of downtown thoroughfares.

The condition of Thirty-third street along the line of the elevated tracks of the Junction railroad was pointed out as an example of what Liberty avenue would be like should the Pittsburgh Railways Company succeed in getting that thoroughfare for its proposed system. The resolution stated that the erection of such tracks would mean a damage of $10,000,000 to $20,000,000 to property.

The Pennsylvania railroad was scored for its attempt to get the Point property and a resolution was adopted condemning such action. The smoke nuisance and the ringing of bells on railroads in the city were likewise objected to.

E. H. Sothern's Engagement.

Daniel Frohman will arrive in this city this morning to remain for the entire week, to superintend the first performances of Mr. Sothern's new production of "Hamlet," which will be presented next Friday at the Alvin theater and to see the last presentation of "If I Were King" before it is withdrawn. Mr. Sothern comes tomorrow by special train from Chicago, with his company of 70 people.

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CENTER AVE., 2101—C. F. Nourse.
CENTER AVE., COR. KIRKPATRICK ST.—The Bell Pharmacy.
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WANTED—Person to call on retail trade and agents for manufacturing house, local territory; salary $12.70, paid weekly and expense money advanced. Previous experience unnecessary; business successful. Enclose self-addressed envelope. Standard House, Caxton building, Chicago.

AGENTS in all parts of the state to sell a useful article; strictly new; over 150 per cent profit; sells on sight; $200 a month to $10 a day, or drop card making appointment. General Agent, Room 315, Ferguson block.

$200 A MONTH—Salesmen wanted in Pittsburgh and country towns to sell money-saving device to merchants. Address Box 42, Blair Station, Pa.

Male Help.

BOY—Strong boy, 16 years old, to do office work. Apply room 204, Penn building.

COLLECTOR and office assistant wanted. Apply at once, Swift & Co., 21st and Carson sts.

DETECTIVES—Every locality, good salary, experience unnecessary. International Detective Agency, Milwaukee, Wis.

DRIVERS—Two drivers for general hauling; must be sober, industrious men. Apply Walker Stratman & Co., 18erry land, Allegheny.

GOVERNMENT POSITIONS—More than 13,000 appointments made last year; chances better for 1903. Hundreds whom we prepared last year have been appointed. Circular 179, giving full particulars as to positions, salaries, etc., sent free. Address National Correspondence Institute, Washington, D. C.

HEMISPHERE Conservatories want mandolin teachers; good salary. 548 Smithfield st., 826 Federal st., Allegheny.

HORSESHOERS—Floorman; with references. Eagle Manufg. Co., Greenough st., near Try st., Pittsburgh.

HORSESHOER, floorman. James McKibbin, 3014-3030 Penn ave.

INSPECTOR—A mechanical inspector for electric traveling cranes, etc.; must be a competent and experienced machinist. Address Cranes, care O. Box 1427, Pittsburgh, Pa.

INTELLIGENT people who need an income, address Postmaster, Box 1834, Philadelphia.

MACHINIST wanted to work on running repairs. Apply to Wm. Cole, Carnegie.

MAN—Young man about 26 years, as traveling salesman with an established mercantile business; one without traveling experience will be considered and started with the assistance of present salesmen in the territory; long trips, hard work, good remuneration and permanent. Address H 57, The Gazette.

MEN wanted: mechanics, clerical men and men without experience, at the State, to work in the city. Call or write STATE, Room 501, 948 Liberty ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.

MEN—Bright young men, 18 to 20 years old, for factory work; must be steady and of good habits. Inquire Merrit Lamp Co., Garrison alley and Fayette st.

MOLDERS—Bench molders; also floor molders. Call Standard Sanitary Mfg. Co., Standard Works, 681 Preble ave.

OFFICE MAN—Young man, stenographer, typewriter and bookkeeper; must be good, accurate and experienced; good salary and steady position for first-class man. Winfield Mineral Co., 421 Wood st., Pittsburgh.

SALESMAN—Ex wholesale grocery house, experienced, energetic grocery salesman, to work established trade along river and B. & O. R. R. Address Box 1537, Pittsburgh.

STAR Employment Bureau—The king of them all; largest and most successful in the state; 25 to 30 orders received daily; 20 years' experience; men seeking employment call; we furnish the largest firms and railroad offices from heads of departments to porters; our immense patronage enables us to guarantee positions. Star Bureau, 120 Sixth st.

STRUCTURAL iron workers, familiar with making and setting of fire escapes. Apply at 2018 Penn ave.

YOUNG MEN—Two; at once, $8 salesman; experience not necessary; good pay. EMPIRE BUREAU, 423 Diamond st.

Female Help.

BOOKKEEPER—Experienced young lady for assistant bookkeeper in out of town office; good salary to right party. Address Box 275, Pittsburgh, Pa.

CASH GIRLS—At once. Apply at 6th floor office, Kaufmann's store.

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LAUNDRESS in private family; young Swedish woman preferred. Apply at 4042 South Negley ave.

WAIST MAKERS—Experienced waist and sleeve makers at 202 Diamond st.

WOMEN—Bright young women to work on electric lamps. Inquire at 9 a. m. and 12:30 p. m., Garrison alley and Fayette st.

Male and Female Help.

LEARN PROOFREADING; situations secured; $15 to $25 weekly. Home Correspondence school, Philadelphia.

MALE and female help supplied. WALKER, 610 Duquesne way. Tel. 330.

RELIABLE male and female help supplied. NATIONAL, 608 Federal st., Allegheny.

WAITERS—Immediately; 5 colored waiters, lady cashier. Meehan & Co., 408 Grant st.

Situations—Male.

GENERAL office man now holding responsible position wishes to correspond with reliable firm with a view of making a change January 1. Address M 49, The Gazette.

PATTERN filer and fitter, to work in Canonsburg. Apply 626 Penn ave., city.

Real Estate.

LOCATION FOR FACTORY WANTED.
Must be in Pittsburgh district, with natural gas and have good shipping facilities. Business established 20 years, employing 100 to 150 skilled mechanics. Send proposals to
THE KEYSTONE DRILLER CO.,
Beaver Falls, Pa.

LANDLORDS, if you have any property, either for sale or rent, list with us and be assured of prompt and liberal treatment. Headquarters for Allegheny property.
REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE CO.,
Federal st., Allegheny.

FARM wanted for Boys' Industrial Home, within 25 miles of Pittsburgh, convenient to railroads, containing about 100 acres good, arable land. Send description and terms. J. W. Cleland, Room 21, Dispensary bldg., Pittsburgh.

Machinery.

WANTED—Boilers—Two second-hand return tubular boilers, 100 h. p. each; must stand boiler insurance companies' requirements and not much used; quote price, giving length over all, diameter of boiler, diameter, length and number of tubes, thickness of shell and make of boiler, with lowest cash price. Arthur Kirk & Son Co., 910 Duquesne way, Pittsburgh, Pa.

WANTED—75 to 100 h. p. moderate speed horizontal engine; new or second hand; must be similar to Ball engine quality; give very lowest price and make. Arthur Kirk & Son Co., 910 Duquesne way, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Rooms.

YOUNG physician, office downtown, wishes immediately large furnished room on second floor, near bath, with privilege of table board; East End preferred; full particulars. Address L 44, The Gazette.

Financial.

WOULD you like investment yield you cash weekly income; safe, permanent; particulars free. Write B. R. Gornto & Co., Norfolk, Va.

Partner.

WANTED—Partner with $300 to $500 for invention (patent). Address O 44, The Gazette.

Miscellaneous.

WANTED—Fifty tons 60 or 80-pound rail, new or second hand; thirty tons 20 to 45-pound rail, new or second hand; quote lowest price. Arthur Kirk & Son Co., 910 Duquesne way, Pittsburgh, Pa.

TO find a case of pimples, blotches, tetter, eczema, or akin disease of any kind that Shepherd's Germicide does not cure; if your dealer does not have it send to Shepherd Mfg. Co., Second ave. and Liberty st.

H. C. KNAPP, commercial job printer, 3521 Butler st. Telephones: Bell, Fisk 81; P. & A., Lawrence 81.

FOR RENT.

City and Suburban Residences.

FOR RENT.
HILL TOP.
4 rooms and finished attic, bath, gas, hot and cold water, chandeliers, second floor, house papered and grained; house situated on Arlington ave., Hill Top.
S. G. ROESSLE,
Rooms 826 and 827 Park Building.
Hill Top, 94 West st., near McKinley Park.

FOR RENT.
HILL TOP.
NEW HOUSES.
New frame houses of 6 rooms and hall, gas and water; houses grained and papered, sewered; front porches, open stairway; will sell on first month's payment down, balance $16 a month.
S. G. ROESSLE,
Rooms 824 and 827 Park Building.
Hill Top, 94 West st., opposite McKinley Park.

FOR RENT—In Edgewood, a beautiful home, completely furnished, on Swissvale ave., one square from depot; owner going away for the winter, will lease until May 1. Inquire J. S. Seibey & Co. 618 Wood st., Wilkinsburg.

East End Residences.

MAYFLOWER ST., E. E., new 8-room brick, $35.
BOND ST., frame, 6 rooms, $17.
DAVIES & CO., 6128 Penn ave., E. E.

SEND for complete list of East End houses. J. W. SHERRER, 107 Sheridan ave., E. E.

Apartments.

SMALL apartment, new; conveniences; on car line. O. C. HURST, 801 Wood st., Wilkinsburg.

Rooms.

246 LEHIGH AVE.—Three furnished rooms, first, second, third floors; conveniences.

411 S. HIGHLAND AVE.—Large alcove and smaller room, with all conveniences.

Business Properties.

FOR RENT.
HOTEL.
16 rooms, cellar, large vault and wine room, large lot, 3 large porches, papered and painted in up-to-date style; opposite cork works, employing 600 people, and near large coal works; no license within 5 miles; $200 license; near car line and R. R. station; 30 minutes' ride to city. Will sell on easy terms.
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Rooms 826 and 827 Park Building.

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To Let — Good sized office in Chronicle Telegraph Building, 347 and 349 5th Ave.

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STORE room, suitable for retail business. O. C. Hurst, 801 Wood st., Wilkinsburg.

Desk Room.

FOR RENT—Desk space; Bell 'phone; room 7, 339 Fifth ave.

FOR SALE.

City and Suburban Residences.

FOR SALE—HILL TOP.

$2,100—New frame house, 6 rooms and finished attic; hall, vestibule, cabinet mantels, tile hearths, gas, waters papered; lot 25x100 feet to an alley; terms $200 cash, balance monthly.

$3,800—Frame house, 7 rooms; hall, bay window, china closet, slate mantels, bath room, front porch, papered, laundry, cemented cellar, chandeliers; lot 25x100 feet to alley; possession in 15 days.

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BLACK & BAIRD,
419 Fourth ave.,
Opposite Postoffice.

BELLEVUE.
$11,000—Corner two good residence streets, modern dwelling, containing 10 large, well-arranged rooms; all conveniences. Nice 6-room dwelling on rear of lot, facing street; rents for $25.00 per month. Size of entire property, 55x170 feet
BELLEVUE REALTY, SAVINGS AND TRUST COMPANY,
440 Lincoln ave., Bellevue.

FOR SALE—Lovely home of 12 rooms on Stratford ave., East End; parlor, library and dining room on first floor; five bedrooms on second floor; hardwood floors; built-in bookcases and china closet; front and back porches; bath, water filter and instantaneous hot water heater; furnace with Taylor burner; will sell at $12,500 to quick buyer. Address Owner, G 27, The Gazette.

FOR SALE—
TWO WILKINSBURG DWELLINGS of 7 and 9 rooms, bath, toilet, furnace, good lot to each; side entrance; both near to electric cars; very easy payments; possession of one of the dwellings can be obtained immediately.
JAS. W. DRAPE & CO.,
425 Fourth ave.

THE BEST CHRISTMAS PRESENT is a home of your own; bring me $50; you can pay the balance like rent, and I will give you immediate possession of a new 5-room house at Sheraden.
JOHN P. RUSH,
St. Nicholas Building, 450 Fourth ave.

FOR SALE—$1,800 will buy new 7-room house at Sheraden; gas and city water; lot 25'x125; terms, $120 down and balance monthly; or would take vacant lot in part payment.
JOHN P. RUSH,
St. Nicholas Bldg., 450 Fourth ave.

FOR SALE—Six rooms, bath, gas, finished attic, good lot; a responsible buyer can secure a positive bargain, on easy payments. Also two best lots on the plan, near two trolley lines at Lincoln place. Owner must sell quick. See Hamnett, 210 Eighth ave., and make an offer.

FOR SALE—$4,800 will buy modern house on one of the best streets in the East End; this property cost $5,000. Terms easy; would take good vacant lot in part payment.
JOHN P. RUSH,
St. Nicholas Bldg., 450 Fourth ave.

$1,100—SHERADEN—New house, 4 rooms and basement, two porches, gas, water, slate roof; want to sell this week.
IRON CITY REALTY CO., 315 Fourth ave.

FOR SALE—My house in Wilkinsburg. Is well built; good as new; paved street, good home for Westinghouse man. Write E 78, The Gazette.

FOR SALE—Very desirable Bellevue home; latest improvements; select location; owner needs money. Address X 73, The Gazette.

Allegheny Residences.

FOR SALE.
Fine residence on Fayette st.; double front, hall in center; lot 42 feet front; reception hall, winding stairs, art window, 12 rooms, 3 bath rooms, billiard room, laundry, heater, cement cellar, porches, etc. Owner must sell this fine property is offered for sale. Price reduced from $25,000, to $15,000. Terms easy. Immediate possession. Call and let me show you this bargain.
A. D. WILSON,
221 Federal st., Allegheny.

SPECIAL BARGAIN.
On California avenue, Allegheny, good frame house, 8 rooms, reception hall, bath, etc.; built back 20 ft. from st. line; lot 50x155 feet. See about this.
A. D. WILSON, 221 Federal st., Allegheny.

FOR SALE—
IN ALLEGHENY, BRICK DWELLING Of 8 rooms, bath, lavatory, toilet, furnaces, laundry, cement cellar; large lot; side and rear entrance; everything in first-class condition; possession given at any time; will take $1,000 cash, balance in from 3 to 10 years, excellent location; near electric cars; 4 minutes from the parks.
JAS. W. DRAPE & CO.,
425 Fourth ave.

LAND FOR SALE.
200 ACRES at railroad station, 28 miles from city; limestone soil, 2 good large brick dwellings, good barns and all necessary outbuildings; 5 to 6 acres good fruit; vein of drift coal; convenient to churches, schools, college, markets and manufacturing industries; in a short time will be worth for subdividing many times the price now asked, $16,000 for a short time only. (220.)
S. A. GIBSON & CO.,
401 Grant st., Pittsburgh, Pa.

FOR SALE.
A 53-ACRE FARM WITH
A fine seam of coal; 35 minutes' ride by rail from the city; 2 miles from station; good land, almost level; plenty of water.
JAS. W. DRAPE & CO.,
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FARMS—
Six acres, ¼ mile from main line P. R. R., 20 miles from city; 8-room brick house, good water, fruit, etc., $4,200.
ZAHNISER & CO.,
426 Fourth ave.

FOR SALE—Farm 72 acres, Indiana township, 2 miles from Harmarville, West Penn railroad; two veins coal; will sell to quick buyer. Apply F. Price farm, John R. Dice, executors, 913 Main st., Allegheny Pa.

FARM—112 acres, 1½ miles from Latrobe, 40 miles east of city, on P. R. R.; good buildings; land level and well watered; all underlaid with coal; price $12,600. (889)
S. A. GIBSON & CO., 401 Grant st.

25 ACRES stone and 35 acres coal on railroad; 42 miles from city; only $2,000. (336)
S. A. GIBSON & CO., 401 Grant st.

Business Properties.

FOR SALE.
Business Properties.
Water st., First ave., Second ave., Third ave., Fourth ave.; Rose st., Wood st., Smithfield st., Penn ave., Liberty ave., Ferry st., Fifth ave. Business properties on all the above streets. Some rare bargains. Also properties with railroad sidings.
BLACK & BAIRD,
419 Fourth ave., opposite postoffice.

FOR SALE.

Manufacturing Sites.

200 ACRES.

MANUFACTURING and residence property, near Pittsburgh; one-half the land is level and ready to begin building; has over one-half mile railroad and river front, with deep water for shipping; nothing like it in the vicinity at double the price.
GEO. R. LAUMAN,
434 Fourth ave.

FOR SALE—Two and one-half acres choice manufacturing property on Monongahela river at Rankin station. All railroads; good brick and iron-clad buildings. Owners might consider taking stock in good paying enterprise in exchange. Address Manufacturer, P. O. Box 246.

Lots.

FOR SALE—$500 will buy two nice lots together, 26x100 each, at West Pittsburgh; 20 minutes' ride; worth $700. John P. Rush, St. Nicholas Building, 450 Fourth ave.

FOR SALE—Elegant lot, Ingram Ridge; owner chose among best residences, has moved east; can be bought right. Address W 80, The Gazette.

FOR SALE—$500 will buy good corner lot in East End; good location for grocery store.
JOHN P. RUSH,
St. Nicholas Bldg., 450 Fourth ave.

FOR SALE—Edgewood, cor. Lloyd and Swissvale ave., lot 150x100. Price $7,500.
SEE T. Y. CROSS, Exclusive Agent,
103 Shady ave., E. E.

For Sale or Exchange.

$3,000—80 acres near Baden or Freedom, on P., F. W. & C. R. R.; level land; small house; large barn; near economy oil field. O. C. HURST, 801 Wood st., Wilkinsburg.

Business Opportunities.

ROOMING HOUSE—Special, located on East Robinson st., Allegheny; 11 rooms nicely furnished; all conveniences; rent only $38; clearing $100 monthly. A rare opportunity.
REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE CO.,
12 Federal st., Allegheny, near bridge.

DRUG STORE.
The only one in a rapidly growing town in Westmoreland county; good room; rent $21, including heat and water; price $1,800.
ZAHNISER & CO.,
426 Fourth ave.

FOR SALE—
ROOMING HOUSE—East End—Elegant location, 11 rooms; rent $45 a month; will sell at a bargain to quick buyer.
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426 Fourth ave.

BUSINESS of all kinds bought and sold; partners secured for established business, etc.; all transactions strictly confidential.
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Wood st. and Fourth ave.

BUSINESS of all kinds sold, partners secured for established business, stock companies organized and industrial enterprises financed; all business strictly confidential.
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I CAN sell your business, no matter where it is; send description, state price and learn how; established 1886; highest references; offices in 14 cities. W. M. Ostrander, 1443 N. A. Bldg., Philadelphia.

ROOMING HOUSE—Two squares from court house; 12 rooms, 10 of which are nicely furnished; clearing $150 per month; price $700.
GRACIE & NOAH, 421 Fourth ave.

MEAT MARKET—nice trade, good location; other business reason for selling. Apply 12 Juniata st., Allegheny.

BUSINESSES of all kinds bought and sold. See ROYAL REALTY CO., 804 Park Bldg.

IF you want to buy or sell any kind of business, see CAVANAGH CO., 421 Fourth ave.

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Investments.

MONEY WANTED.
Owner wants to borrow $10,500 on 6 new brick houses or $3,500 on two house just completed.
ADDRESS OWNER, C 37, The Gazette.

Machinery.

ROLLING MILL—MACHINERY.

1 12" Muck Mill.
1 22" Totten & Hogg Bar Mill.
1 8" Merchants' Mill.
1 Alligator Shear (Lewis), 13" Knives, with engine attached.
1 Alligator Shear (Lewis), 14" Knives, with engine attached.
1 Alligator Shear (Lewis), 12" Knives, without engine.
1 Robinson & Ray double vertical shear, 21" knives.
1 Bartsch 124" shear, steam driven.
1 Bliss 110" crobe shear.
1 54" squaring shear.
3 36" Leechburg Doubling shears.
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1 No. 2 Mesta Pickling Machine.
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Steam hammers, having a capacity from 200 pounds each to 5 tons each.
Friction drop hammers in all sizes.
Squeezers, Iron and Steel, with cranes up to 10 tons capacity, ladles, puddle furnace castings, etc.
We also carry a full line of boilers, engines, pumps, feed water heaters and a general line of machinery.

WICKES BROTHERS,
Office 808 Frick Building.
Warehouse, Forty-fifth st. and A. V. R. R.
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ANOTHER PURCHASE.
32x54 Bates Corliss Engine.
20x24 Automatic Engine.
12 & 24x24 Cross Compound Engine.
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Number of Lathes, Planers, Drill Presses, etc.
ATWELL MACHINERY COMPANY,
507-508 Hamilton Bldg.
Bell 'phone 1893 Grant. P. & A. 'phone 2690 Main.

FOR SALE—Boilers and engines, all sizes, from 3 to 125 H. P., stationary and portable upright boilers and engines; large assortment kept in stock; shafting, pulleys and hangers, and large lot of miscellaneous machinery; second-hand belting, leather and rubber; large stock of all sizes at low prices; machinery of all kinds bought and exchanged.
JOHN S. YOUNG,
108-110 Park way, Allegheny, Pa.

FOR SALE—
One 20"x36" Steam Engine.
Two 12"x24" Steam Engines.
One Iron Planer, 36"x36".
Three 6 H. P. Gas Engines.
One 4 H. P. Gas Engine.
GAUSMAN MACHINERY & METAL CO.,
527-529 Rebecca st., Allegheny, Pa.

N. C. DAVISON,
Gas and Steam Engines, Boilers, Pumps, Compressors. 308 Frick building.

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FOR SALE—A. M. Spelman, Canal Dover, O., has two as fine coach teams as can be found; write for full description and price.

FOR SALE—Hearse, first class square white funeral car. Cheap. 1720 Carson st., South Side, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Birds and Dogs.

FOR SALE—A new lot of St. Andreasburg canaries just arrived; finest singers in the world; Hartz Mountain canaries, $2 each; largest stock; lowest prices; birds selected now held until Christmas. Open evenings. New York Bird Store, 618 Smithfield st.

Sewing Machines.

BIG BARGAIN to shopworn and good second-hand sewing machines; all makes. NEW HOME SEWING MACHINE CO., 131 Sixth st., Pittsburgh, next door to Bijou theater.

Typewriters.

BIG selection of guaranteed typewriters; all makes at lowest prices from $10 up; rentals $2. Consolidated Typewriter Exchange, 339 Fifth ave.

Pianos.

$400 UPRIGHT, guaranteed; cover, stool almost new; $180 cash. Address box 766, Pittsburgh.

Miscellaneous.

For Sale—
Unredeemed solitaire diamond ring, Tiffany mounting; pure white and perfect; weight about 2 k.; original cost $265; will sell for $170.
For Sale—
Unredeemed Howard gold watch, hunting case; 14 k., extra heavy; 16 size; original cost $125; will sell for $48.
For Sale—
Pair unredeemed solitaire diamond earrings; weight about 1½ k.; original cost $175; will sell for $115.
For Sale—
Unredeemed diamond scroll pendant; 6 very large diamonds; original cost $165; will sell for $80.
For Sale—
Unredeemed 14 k. gold filled watch, Elgin movement; 20-year case; original cost $35; will sell for $8.
Call at once, Market Street Loan Office, 214 Market st.

FOR SALE—Engines, boilers, sawmills, sand crushers, grinding mills, brick machinery, rock crushers, road machinery, traction engines, threshers, corn huskers, hydraulic elder mills, belting, hose, circular saws, generators, supplies.
B. D. REED, 82 Fifth st., Pittsburgh.

FOR SALE—Shepherd's Shampoo and Dandruff Cure prevents hair from falling out and restores gray hair to its natural color. If your dealer does not have it send to Shepherd Mfg. Co., Second ave. and Liberty st.

DENHOLM'S pure pork sausage, ham, bacon and lard. Best on the market. On sale retail markets, 6128 Penn ave. Stalls 133-35-37-3 Liberty Market.

FOR SALE—Second hand printing press; one 8x12 Golding jobber, good as new machine. Armstrong Cork Co., Twenty-to-nd st.

H. C. KNAPP, commercial job printer, 3521 Butler st. Telephones: Bell, Fisk 81; P. & A., Lawrence 81.

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SUPERFLUOUS HAIR,
HAIR ABOVE BEARD LINE,
MOLES, RED NOSE,
BIRTHMARKS, BLACKHEADS,
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OUR SPECIALTY.
TEN YEARS' EXPERIENCE.
CONSULTATION FREE AT OFFICE, OR BY LETTER.
Electrolysis when properly applied is the only remedy for facial defects.
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NEW YORK ELECTROLYSIS CO.,
606 BIJOU BUILDING, PITTSBURGH.

PAINT PRESERVES PROPERTY.
Protect your houses with good paint put on by a trustworthy painter.
P. J. BYRNE, 634 Fifth ave.
56 Tunnel st. Both telephones.

PERSONAL—Shepherd's Pure Skin Food has no equal for babies, as it contains no grease or powder to soil clothing or cake on the little sufferer's body; if your dealer does not have it send to Shepherd Mfg. Co., Second ave. and Liberty st.

PERSONAL—Shepherd's Pure Skin Food and Massage Cream renders the skin soft and white, the arms and neck plump and round; if your dealer does not have it send to Shepherd Mfg. Co., Second ave. and Liberty st.

DO YOU LIKE MUSIC?
The Hemisphere Conservatories give Mandolins, Violins, Banjos, Guitars, including 36 lessons and one weekly payments. 643 Smithfield. 526 Federal st., Allegheny.

PERSONAL—Do you know a good painter? If so, have him do your work; if not, send for P. J. Byrne. All kinds of painting done in the best manner with the best material. 634 Fifth ave. Both telephones. 55 Tunnel st.

TO ARCHITECTS AND OTHERS WHO KNOW Lettering and signs in keeping with architecture, or from design, by P. J. Byrne, painter, 634 Fifth ave. Both telephones.

PERSONAL—Plain women made handsome by using Shepherd's Beauty Cream; if your dealer does not have it send to Shepherd Mfg. Co., Second ave. and Liberty st.

PERSONAL—The best imitation typewritten letter circulars are printed by H. C. Knapp, 3521 Butler st. Both 'phones.

PERSONAL—Vapor baths. Mrs. Hayden, 20 E. Robinson st., Allegheny. (Left bell.)

PERSONAL—Baths, manicuring. Elsie Mills, 800 Penn ave., second floor.

LOST.

LOST—Most of my faded gray hair; found, a good head of hair restored to its natural color by using Shepherd's Shampoo and Dandruff Cure; if your dealer does not have it send to Shepherd Mfg. Co., Second ave. and Liberty st.

LOST—An envelope containing $561.05 Sat. afternoon, between Penn ave., Tenth and Diamond Savings bank; finder will be highly rewarded. Address G. W. Daugherty, Wilmerding, Pa.

LOST—Friday afternoon between Penn ave. and Market st., pair opera glasses, visiting card in case. Return to room 706 Park Building. Reward.

FOUND.

FOUND—That the 12 size, 20-year, gold filled American watch is sold at $8.00 and other watches, also diamonds at proportionately low prices. At Emanuel Dreifus' & Son, 643 Smithfield st., near Seventh ave. Established 1852.

FOUND—Reliable watch repairing. Cash paid for old gold. Christ Hauch, 641 Smithfield st., Pittsburgh.

SPECIAL.

SPECIAL—We will give a skilled treatment free to all persons afflicted with pimpled or blotched faces, dandruff and falling hair if we fail to effect a cure with our Shampoo, Dandruff Cure, Germicide and Pure Skin Food; if your dealer does not have it send to Shepherd Mfg. Co., Second ave. and Liberty st.

DANCING ACADEMIES.

JAMES P. BROOKS' DANCING ACADEMY, 1010 Penn ave.—Advanced class Thursdays; beginners' classes Monday and Friday evenings.

BRAUN'S Dancing Academy; 10 lessons, three dollars. Sixth and Liberty sts. Austin McFadden, owner.

DETECTIVE AGENCIES.

M'SWEENEY'S Interstate Detective Agency, 425 Diamond st., Pittsburgh, Pa.; transacts a general detective business; all communications strictly confidential.

PATENTS.

PATENTS—O. D. Levis; 25 years' attorney, 643 Smithfield st., Pittsburgh.

ELECTION NOTICE.

Office of the National Glass Company,
Eighth street and Penn avenue,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 11, 1902.

NOTICE is hereby given that there will be a special meeting of the stockholders of the National Glass Company held at the principal office of the company, at the corner of Penn avenue and Eighth street, in the city of Pittsburgh, on Monday, the 16th day of February, 1903, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of giving or withholding

STOCKS SLUMPED AND THEN RALLIED

Call Loans Touched 12 Per Cent and the Liquidation Was Very Urgent--Forecast of the Weekly Bank Statement.

By JOHN O. BAGLIN, Financial Editor.

There was considerable demoralization in the eastern stock market at the opening yesterday, and for a time the pressure to sell was so great that prices quickly receded to the lowest level of the year in many instances. The thing that started the liquidation was the opening of call loan rates at 9 per cent bid, 10 per cent asked, and a subsequent advance to 12 per cent bid. The situation was aggravated by rumors as to the condition of various pools, and it was the stocks in which the latter are supposed to be interested that suffered the worst in the liquidation. The dealings were on a large scale, and the fluctuations were marked by larger fractions than common. United States Steel stocks attracted the most attention, because of the desire to see through them the attitude of the large interests identified with the corporation and the general market. For the first two hours there was absolutely no support, the common stock selling down to 29⅝ and the preferred to 79, the lowest prices quoted since the notable panic of May last year. Wall street advices were to the effect that the orders came from all sources, indicating that the break had caught many stop-loss orders. Another stock in which interest centered was Southern Pacific, because its movement was thought to reflect the position of a pool that embraces some of the most daring operators in the street. That stock also was quite weak, selling down to 56, the lowest of the year and 25¼ below the price quoted only three months ago, when the pool in question issued its famous pamphlet pointing out the great possibilities of the corporation. Of the $200,000,000 Southern Pacific stock, which has not yet entered the dividend paying list, the Union Pacific owns $75,000,000. The weakness of this non-producing asset was naturally expected to have an effect upon Union Pacific stock, and the latter dropped to 93, the lowest of the year. While special attention was devoted to this class of stocks, the general list displayed great weakness. Pennsylvania selling below 150, St. Paul below 167, New York Central down to 148 and Missouri Pacific below par. During the first two hours the transactions aggregated nearly 600,000 shares. The lowest prices of the day were current just before noon. In the afternoon the volume of business fell off, the tone of the market became firmer, and in the late dealings buoyant. Buying by strong investment houses was a feature, and there was active covering by shorts. United States Steel rallied to 32, the preferred to 81⅝. Pennsylvania selling to 153⅛, St. Paul above 170, New York Central to 152, Union Pacific to 97¼, while Southern Pacific recovered 3 points to 59¾. In some instances the recovery raised prices above the highest level of Thursday and the close was in nearly every case at large gains over the prices quoted early in the day.

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Compared with one week ago, yesterday's prices show declines of 6⅝ per cent on United States Steel common, 5 on the preferred, and from 5 to 10 per cent on leading railway shares. These declines are on top of those which have been almost daily recorded for weeks past. It is therefore reasonable to suppose that weak holdings were pretty thoroughly liquidated, and that the market was due for a reaction. The greatest influence in bringing about the recovery, however, was the forecasts issued of tomorrow's bank statement. The movements of money for the week showed a net gain in receipts from the interior of $3,232,000, the largest gain from this source so far this season. The loss through sub-treasury operations amounted to $4,720,000, to which was added the $1,000,000 gold shipped to South America. The net result of all operations was a loss to the banks of less than $2,500,000. In the corresponding week last year the net loss exceeded $5,000,000. With Thursday's heavy transactions in the stock market figuring in today's return, it is not improbable that a decrease in loans will be reported. A year ago there was a contraction in this item of more than $11,000,000. A decrease of half that amount today would probably enable the banks to show surplus reserves unimpaired. There was also a rumor late in the afternoon that the treasury department was considering a proposition for extending relief, but this received little attention. The report that the Venezuelan government would apply to the United States to arbitrate the claims against it was a minor contribution toward producing a better feeling in the market.

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The local stock market experienced greater pressure of liquidation than on any day for more than a year. The total transactions have been exceeded this year, but not the number of individual sales—a condition due to the narrowness of the market because of prevailing monetary conditions. Westinghouse Electric second preferred bore the brunt of the selling, and on the marketing of what was evidently a stop-loss order on 1,000 shares, broke from 94 to 89½. The decline uncovered other orders of a similar character, but when this pressure was removed the stock quickly recovered. At one time there was a difference of 3 points between prices quoted here and in New York, and this was taken advantage of to make some handsome "scalps." Late in the afternoon the stock had a strong rally, selling at 94 and at one time being quoted at 94¼ bid, while in New York the price rallied to the equivalent of 95½. The first preferred stock sold at 99, a drop of 3 a share from the last previous sale. Second in point of activity was United States Steel common, which on sales of about 3,500 shares declined to 30, following the course in the east. It closed at 31½, leaving the net loss only ½ per cent. The preferred declined to 79, but recovered to 81⅝, a net gain of ⅝ for the day. Crucible Steel common was active and on sales of a little less than 3,000 shares broke to 16, but recovered to 16¾ at the close. The preferred stock sold down to 82½, but quickly turned with the rest of the market in the late dealings and closed at 83⅞, a net loss of only ¼ for the day. National Fire Proofing was heavy, the common declining to 23¾ and the preferred to 36, the latter closing at the lowest. There was comparatively little doing in the coal stocks, and they held better than the other active specialties. Considering its speculative character, the dealings in Window Glass were conspicuously light, and after declining to 45½ the stock recovered to 47½ bid at the close. Philadelphia Company held up better than might have been expected, considering that its principal market is in the east. It sold to the extent of 1,500 shares at 43⅜@44⅝, and closed at 44⅛ bid.

There was a very narrow market for the bank and trust company shares, but one member of the group, Allegheny Trust, advanced 2 points, selling at 150. A small lot of Commonwealth Trust sold at 225, and Real Estate Trust and Federal National bank each declined 1 per cent. Safe Deposit sold at 115, a rally of 2¼. The bond list was neglected, and prices closed unchanged.

PITTSBURGH STOCKS.

Transactions on the Pittsburgh stock exchange yesterday aggregated 18,369 shares stock and $7,000 bonds. Sales:

10 to 10:30 a. m.

50 P. Coal com...	28⅝	25 do...	83½
50 do...	28⅝	20 do...	83¼
50 P. E. Trust..	279	10-10-10-10-50 do	83
15 do...	279	50-100-30-10-10 do	83
10-10-10-30-10 do	280	100-50 do...	82¾
50 U. S. St'l pfd.	80	25 Phila. com...	44⅜
10 do...	80	500 do...	44¾
100 do...	79⅝	100 do...	44
50 do...	80	25 Fire P. com...	23½
80 Crucible com.	17	50 do...	23¾
100-50-100-25 do..	17	5 W. Glass pfd.	88
100-10 do...	17	25 do...	87½
100 do...	16¾	50 Electric 2ds...	94
100 U. S. S. com.	31	50 do...	94
10 do...	31¼	50 do...	93
400 do...	31	50 do...	92½
45 do...	31¼	30-50 do...	92
25-25-200-50 do...	31	10 do...	92½
50-50 do...	31	50-50-50-10-50 do	92
125 do...	31⅛	10 Amer. Trust.	144
500-100-100 do...	31	20 Ally. Trust.	150
600 do...	31⅛	10 do...	150
50 Crucible pfd..	83½		

10:30 a. m. to 12:30 p. m.

100 Crucible com.	17	20 U. S. S. pfd..	80
50-150-10-70 do...	16⅞	50 do...	80
30 do...	16⅞	100 do...	79
10 do...	17	25 do...	80
100-50 do...	16⅝	5 Amer. Trust..	142
50 do...	16⅝	10 Com. Ice pfd.	36
50 do...	16⅝	50 do...	36
50-100-50-100 do..	16	8-2-8 do...	83
100-25-100-400 do..	16	50-150 do...	82½
20 Ally. Trust...	150	10 do...	83
20 do...	150	50-50 do...	83¼
50 P. Coal com...	28⅛	15 do...	83
50-20-50-50-50 do	28⅛	10 Federal N. B.	143½
10-50 do...	28⅛	10 P. Coal pfd..	87½
50 Fire P. pfd..	36½	9 U. S. S. com.	31½
25 do...	36⅝	100 do...	31½
50 Brewing com.	30½	10 do...	31
10-100-50 do...	30	50 do...	30⅞
50 Crucible pfd.	82½	25 do...	30⅞
100 do...	83½	100-100-100-25 do.	30
50 do...	83	200 do...	30
10 do...	83½	50 do...	30⅝
50 do...	83	20 do...	30⅝
20 do...	87½	6 do...	30⅝
50 do...	87½	200 do...	30⅝
50 do...	88	100-100 do...	30⅝
100-50 do...	88	100 Fire P. com.	23⅜
20-50 do...	88½	50 Electric 2ds...	94
25-50-50 do...	90	50 do...	90½
5 do...	90½	50 do...	90
50 do...	90	50 do...	89½
25 do...	90	50 do...	89
100 do...	90	50 do...	89
100-50 do...	91	100 do...	88
50 do...	91½	50 do...	87½
25 do...	91½	50 do...	87
10 W. Glass com	46½	50 do...	86½
100-100 do...	45½	100-100-100-30 do	87
400 Phila. com...	44⅛	25 do...	87½
200 do...	44	100-50-50-50 do...	87½
100 do...	43⅞	50-50-25-100 do...	87½
25 do...	44	25-5-20-50-50 do.	88
100 Riv. Coal com	9¾	50-50-50 do...	89½
100-100-100-100 do	9¾	10 do...	89
100 do...	9¾	10 D. F. & T...	279
100 do...	9¼	10 R. E. Trust..	279

12:30 to 2 p. m.

50 Electric 2ds..	91½	33 Brewing com.	30
10 do...	91⅝	25 Fire P. pfd...	36½
30 do...	91⅝	10-200-50-100 do..	36½
25 do...	91⅝	50 do...	36¾
50-10-100 do...	92	100 U. S. S. com.	30⅞
15 P. Coal pfd..	87½	10 do...	31⅛
10 do...	87⅝	100 do...	31¼
10-50 do...	87⅝	100 do...	31¼
15 U. S. S. pfd..	80½	100 P. Coal com.	28½
100 do...	80	50 River Coal pfd	93⅜
50 do...	80½	100 do...	93⅝
100-50 do...	81	100 Electric lsts..	93
50 Electric 2ds..	92½	50 do...	92½
50 do...	92½	20 do...	92
10 do...	93	20 do...	92
70 do...	93	5 P. E. & T.	25¾
20 do...	93½	25 U. S. S. com.	31¾
50-200-10 do....	94	15 W. Airbrake..	170
30 S. Side Trust.	160		

Bonds, Etc.

$1000 Brewing 6s...	113½
$2000 R. Coal 6s...	112
$4000 R. Coal 6s...	112

Summary.

SHARES.	High.	Low.	Last Sale.	C'ge.
Sales.				
193 Brewing com.	30¼	30	30	—⅛
100 Con. Ice pfd.	36	36	36	—¼
2,880 Crucible Steel	17	16	16⅝	—⅝
1,155 Do pfd.....	83½	82½	83⅛	—⅝
963 Fire Proof....	23¾	22¾	23½	—¼
738 Do pfd.....	36½	36	36	—¼
1,500 Phila. Co. com	44⅝	44⅜	44	—¼
50 Phila. Co. pfd..	44	44	44	—¼
1,000 P. Coal com..	28⅝	28	28	—⅝
100 P. Coal pfd...	87½	87½	87½	—⅝
1,000 Riv. Coal com	9¾	9¾	9¾	—⅛
100 Riv. Coal pfd..	93⅜	93⅜	93⅜	—⅛
1,000 Riv. Coal 1sts	93	93	93	—⅛
4,075 Do 2nds....	94	86½	94	—1
200 Win. Glass....	48⅝	47½	48⅝	—¼
25 Do pfd.....	88	87½	87½	—2½
70 Ally. Trust....	150	150	150	+2
15 Amer. Trust..	144	142	142	—4
5 C. R. E. & T.	225	225	225	—5
8 D. S. F. & T.	275	275	275	—1
10 Fed. N. B....	143½	143½	143½	—1
115 R. E. Trust..	280	279	279	—1
10 Safe D. & T.	115	115	115	+2½
50 S. Side Trust.	160	160	160	0
18,369				
BONDS.				
$1,000 Brewing 6s...	113½	113½	113½	0
6,000 River Coal 6s	112	112	112	0
$7,000				

*Less than 10 shares.

Closing Bids and Offers.

STOCKS.	Bid.	Ask.		Bid.	Ask.
Fgh. Bks			Nat. Gas.		
Arsenal	148	....	N. Fed'l	....	119
Columbia	....	465	M. L. & H.	....	89
Manufac's	120	....	Railroads.		
Monong'a	295	300	A. Val. pfd.	....	20
Trust Cos.			Electric.		
American	143	146	W. 2nd pfd.	93½	94
Real Est.	278	280	Miscell'us.		
S. D. & T.	112	....	Crucible Stl.	16⅝	17
Ally Bks			Do pfd..	83½	....
Ally'y	148	150	Marsden	....	4½
Bk Sec'y	90½	....	N. Fireproof	23¾	....
Dol. Sv. F.	....	....	Do pfd..	36	36½
& Trust.	275	....	Phila. Co..	44⅜	160
			W Airbrake	168	

UNLISTED SECURITIES.

A. W. G..	47½	48¼	P. Brew. pf	....	47⅝
Do pfd..	87½	88	Fgh. Coal..	28⅝	29
Con Gas pf	44	....	Do pfd..	87⅜	87½
Con. Ice..	9	....	U. S. Steel	31⅝	31⅞
Del Riv.	9¾	10	Do pfd..	81¾	81½
Do pfd..	39⅝	39⅞	BONDS.		
C. P. & L. E.	....	35	M. R. C. & C. 6s	112	....
P. Brew...	25⅞	30	Fgh Brw 6s	113	114

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

An incident on the Pittsburgh stock exchange yesterday was the slump in United States Fire Proofing bonds. The latter are not listed on the exchange, and no official record has been granted transactions in them, but sales have been reported around 101, and the last public quotation to yesterday was 105 asked. A broker endeavored to find a bonafide bid for them and offered the price down 1 per cent at a time until he reached 65. No bid being forthcoming he abandoned the effort. Later another broker ran up the quotation and offered the same down rapidly to 40, when he encountered a bid for 25. Just before the close of the market another offer was made of one bond at 35, and the bid abandoned to find a bonafide buyer in the market. A bid of 40 was made on the curb. Brokers who, it is understood, have had dealings in the bonds, allege that the slump was due to enemies of the company taking advantage of general market conditions to smash the price of the bonds. The retort to this allegation was that the market was open to any buyer who might desire to make an investment, and that sufficient time elapsed between the initial offers from 75 down for brokers to notify anyone interested of the state of the market.

The lowest prices in the local market yesterday were made before noon. The late sales showed the following recoveries: Electric, 7⅛; Window Glass, 2; United States Steel, 1¾; do preferred, 2⅝; Crucible Steel, ¾; do preferred, 1¼; Pittsburgh Coal, ⅝; Philadelphia Company, ⅜. If money were easier the recovery would undoubtedly extend much further; but money continues tight, and the slump yesterday must have weakened many margined accounts.

German American Savings & Trust closed at 161@164; South Side Trust, 100@101; Colonial Trust, 580 asked.

Pittsburgh & Charleroi 5s were quoted at 105 bid.

Mr. James Kifer is out in another circular offer to stockholders of the Exchange National bank. The only particular in which this third attempt differs from preceding ones is that the person who gives an option at $116 a share, is "at liberty to deal elsewhere should you desire." The gentleman's "argument" to stockholders is something like that which one horse jockey might address to another.

One large eastern banking house is reported to have bought 50,000 shares investment stocks yesterday.

Consolidated Lake Superior stocks were again very weak in the Philadelphia market yesterday, the common closing at 4⅞ bid, and the preferred at 24 bid. The company has $72,000,000 outstanding common stock and about $25,000,000 preferred. It has been paying 1¾ per cent quarterly dividends on the latter, and the dividend for the past quarter was declared last Monday, but yesterday the directors rescinded this action. The company is said to have valuable assets, but at present is unable to realize on them.

Another stock on which a quarterly dividend of 1¼ per cent had been declared this week was American Grass Twine, but the directors have rescinded this action and cut the dividend to ¾ per cent, making 4 per cent for the year, instead of 5 per cent. The action was due to the state of the money market.

The gross earnings of Allegheny Valley for October increased $52,536, and the net increased $2,246. For ten months of 1902 the net earnings decreased $67,858.

While the rest of the markets were declining oil advanced to the highest prices of the year.

The Pittsburgh Organ & Piano Company has declared on both common and preferred stocks a semi-annual dividend of 14 per cent, of which 4 per cent is payable in cash and the balance in scrip. The disbursement will be made on January 25.

The 2½ per cent regular and 3½ per cent extra quarterly dividends on Westinghouse Airbrake are payable January 10 to stock of record January 1.

The River Coal Company expects to start 10,000,000 bushels of coal to the southern markets today.

It is authoritatively stated that of the $10,000,000 car trust notes issued by the Pennsylvania the bulk was placed in a permanent investment with the banking houses in London and on the continent. The sellers of these bonds are now committal, but it can be taken for granted that the proceeds, in the shape of exchange, become at once available for the New York money market.

The most optimistic of Wall street letter writers thought that the turn had come in the money situation, but that recovery in the stock market would be slow.

It is estimated that 40,000 shares were handled in Wall street yesterday for London account, purchases exceeding sales.

A New York dispatch says: "While definite announcement is withheld until officially promulgated there is good reason for saying that those savings banks of this city which have been maintaining their interest rates on a 4 per cent yearly basis will, beginning on January 1, go on a 3½ per cent basis. This action is not unexpected, as there has been for some time a tendency among the banks toward a lower basis. The savings banks of New York city find great competition for first-class mortgages, the organization of the title guarantee companies and various institutions such as the Real Estate Trust Company, having to a marked degree reduced the number of mortgages offered to the savings banks. To meet this competition the savings banks have been compelled to reduce their rates and thus right along really good mortgages have been made at seldom more than 4 per cent. During the current stringency in money the banks are, of course, able to command a somewhat higher rate, but this has been of recent occurrence. Until very recently there has in this city been a constant demand on the part of mortgagors to have their rate reduced to a 4 per cent basis, and as they could easily get their money elsewhere the banks have been forced in many instances to grant the requests.

FEATURES OF THE DAY

IN PITTSBURGH.

Sales on the local exchange reached 18,369 shares stock and $7,000 bonds.

Westinghouse Electric broke to 86½ and recovered to 94.

Crucible Steel broke to 16 and recovered to 16⅞.

Crucible preferred broke to 82½ and recovered to 83⅞.

United States Steel common broke to 30 and recovered to 31¾.

United States Steel preferred broke to 79 and recovered to 81⅝.

Window Glass broke to 45½ and closed at 47½ bid.

IN WALL STREET.

Total sales for the day, 1,104,300 shares.

Violent recovery follows early demoralization, and close is steady.

Money is easier, being offered at 6 per cent before the close.

Evansville & Terre Haute makes gain of 6 points.

Great Northern is up 4 points.

Many leaders make gain of 2 to 3 points.

Bonds rally; total sales (par value), $4,495,000.

THE MONEY MARKET.

The local money market remains firm and unchanged at 6 per cent on call and time loans. Clearing house comparisons:

	Exchanges.	Balances.
Friday	$6,208,068 39	$1,037,591 74
Last week	5,969,602 14	677,365 23
Last year	6,439,441 57	1,185,650 03

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Exchanges, $246,025,504; balances, $9,735,253.

BOSTON, Dec. 12.—Exchanges, $24,927,326; balances, $2,383,176; call loans, 5½@6 per cent; time, 6@6½ per cent.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 12.—Clearings, $19,282,544; balances, $2,271,641; money, 6 per cent.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 12.—Clearings, $3,545,614; balances, $553,803; money, 6 per cent.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Clearings, $28,066,206; balances, $1,762,211; posted exchange, $4.84½@4.85; New York exchange, 25c premium.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 12.—Clearings, $9,372,582; balances, $1,078,828; money steady at 5@6 per cent; New York exchange, 90c premium.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 12.—Clearings, $3,518,880; New York exchange, 5c premium; money, 6 per cent.

Movement of Gold.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—(Special.)—In redemption of checks drawn by depositors of gold at the Seattle assay office, today's official records show that the sub-treasury paid out yesterday $15,512. Total thus paid since last Friday, $28,455, against $50,008 for the same period a week ago. Total payment by goverment to New York banks for the day, $8,663,000. Payment by banks to government, $4,237,000. Balance on the day's transactions, $574,000 paid by banks to government. Total net payment by banks to government since last Friday, $3,700,000, against $6,404,000 similarly paid for the corresponding period a week ago and $5,278,000 paid by banks to government a year ago.

Treasury Statement.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Today's statement of the treasury balances in the general fund, exclusive of the $150,000,000 gold reserve in the division of redemption, shows: Available cash balance, $207,128,420; gold, $120,666,146; silver, $6,438,846; United States notes, $2,764,182; treasury notes of 1890, $36,-960; national bank notes, $13,764,146; total receipts this day, $1,690,819; total receipts this month, $29,797,818; total receipts this year, $262,279,967; total expenditures this day, $1,-545,051; total expenditures this month, $18,-395,000; total expenditures this year, $261,-761,227; deposits in national banks, $149,277,-597.

Foreign Quotations.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—Money, 2¼@2¾ per cent; discount for short bills, 3⅝@3 15-16 per cent; three months' bills, 3⅞ per cent. The sum of £20,000 was withdrawn from the Bank of England today for shipment to Malta.

PARIS, Dec. 12.—Three per cent rentes, 99f 67½ centimes for the account.

PARIS, Dec. 12.—Exchange on London, 20 marks 45 pfgs. for checks; discount rates, short bills, 2½ per cent; three months' bills, 3½ per cent.

Money Closes at 6 Per Cent.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Money on call firm at 6@12 per cent; closing offered at 6 per cent. Time loans, steady; sixty days, 6 per cent; ninety days, 6 per cent; six months, 6 per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 6 per cent; sterling exchange weak, with actual business in bankers bills at $4.87 for demand and at $4.83.20@4.83.55 for 60-day bills; posted rates, $4.84½@4.88; commercial bills, $4.82¾@4.83¼; bar silver, 47⅝c; Mexican dollars, 37¾c.

Coffee and Sugar.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Coffee futures opened steady, with prices unchanged to 5 points lower. About the only feature of the day, if it may be called a feature, was the extreme dullness of speculation, total sales amounting to only 5,750 bags. Cables were a disappointment to bulls, reflecting unchanged and barely steady foreign markets, with primary parts showing a weaker tone than expected; these factors, with the almost total absence of demand, being responsible for the partly lower opening. Though the first hour shorts bid prices back to last night's level without increasing the business to any extent, however. The market was finally quiet, with quotations net unchanged to 5 points higher; January, 4.60@4.80; March, 4.80@4.85c; May, 5.00c; July, 5.10@5.15c; September, 5.20c; October, 5.30c. Sugar, raw firm; fair refining, 3 7-16c; centrifugal, 96 test, 3 13-16c; molasses sugar, 3 3-16c; refined firm.

1,104,300 total sales of day.
*Ex-dividend.

Electric Stocks.

BOSTON, Dec. 12.—Electric stocks closed:

Westing. com....	90	Mass. Electric....	23½
Gen. Electric....	174	Do pref.....	93½

NEW YORK PRICES.

Daily range of prices, reported by Messrs. Henry Sproul & Co., Peoples Savings bank building, members of New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and Chicago stock exchanges and Chicago board of trade.

STOCKS. Sales.	Open	High	Low	Close
58800 A., T. & S. F....	79	80⅝	77½	80½
11800 Do preferred..	97	97⅝	95⅝	97½
Amer. Cotton Oil.	40¼	41½	39	41⅞
Do preferred..	....	....	....	92
21100 Am. Sugar Ref..	118½	121½	117¾	120⅞
Do preferred..	....	....	....	117
2700 Am. Locomotive..	28⅜	28½	23½	25¼
300 Do preferred..	91	91	90¼	90⅜
2900 Am. Car Foundry	32⅜	33	32	32
200 Do preferred..	87½	87½	87½	87⅜
American Can..	....	....	....	9
Do preferred..	....	....	....	42
18900 Amal. Copper....	54½	55⅞	53⅜	55⅜
2500 Am. Cotton Oil..	54	54	51	52
2900 Am. S. & Ref..	37⅛	38¼	37¼	38¼
400 Do preferred..	91½	91½	90	90½
American Ice....	10¼	10¼	9⅝	9⅝
Do preferred..	36½	36⅝	36½	36⅝
19,500 Balti. & Ohio..	94	96⅝	92⅜	95⅝
400 Do preferred..	93	93	92½	93
21700 Brook. R. Tran.	60¼	62⅜	59½	62¼
10500 Can. Pacific....	124⅜	126½	123½	126⅛
9300 Chic. & G. West.	25	25⅜	24¾	25⅛
4100 Consolidated Gas.	206	209	205	208⅜
800 C., C., C. & St. L.	94½	94½	93½	94½
2000 Ches. & Ohio....	44⅜	44⅞	42⅝	44⅝
3500 Chic. & Alton....	59¾	60⅜	59	59⅜
500 Do preferred..	69¾	70	69¾	69
*1900 Chic. & N'w'n..	215	215	210	213
1100 Col. Fuel & Iron	81	81	79½	79¾
Corn product....	27	27	27	27
Do preferred..	....	....	....	77¾
1100 Col. Southern....	26	26⅞	25½	26
800 Do 1st pref..	64	68½	66	68
2500 Do 2d pref..	41	41½	40	41¼
100 Del., Lack. & West.	242	245½	242	242
1400 Del. & Hud....	154	157	153¾	157
42400 Erie.....	30⅜	31	28⅝	30⅝
3800 Do 1st pref..	61½	62½	60½	62½
4400 Do 2d pref..	42	43¾	41¾	43⅜
1100 General Electric.	174	175	172	173
4500 Hocking Valley..	98	99	95¼	98⅛
600 Do preferred..	95	95¾	94⅞	96
7900 Illinois Central..	139½	141	138	141
700 Iowa Central....	36	37½	35⅞	36½
500 Do preferred..	65	67	65	66
1300 Inter. Paper....	17¼	17⅛	16½	16⅝
200 Do preferred..	....	....	....	71½
400 L. E. & W....	45	45	40	45
Do preferred..	....	....	....	115
14600 Louis. & Nash....	119	121	116½	120¼
*25600 Manhattan.....	142¾	144⅝	141½	144⅝
45200 Missouri Pacific..	102¾	104	102	104
3700 M., K. & T. pref.	51¾	53¾	51	53
6700 Metropolitan.....	136⅜	137½	135	137¼
4200 Mexican Central..	21	22½	20⅝	22¼
1900 National Lead....	24¼	25⅝	24	25
Do preferred..	....	....	....	89
400 National Biscuit..	44	44½	43⅜	44
Do preferred..	....	....	....	101
16800 N. Y. Central....	149¾	154	148	151¼
				165
7800 N. Y., O. & W....	26⅜	27⅝	25½	27¼
3900 Norfolk & West..	67⅝	69¾	67	69
Do preferred..	....	....	....	92
7000 North Amer. Co..	107½	111½	106	111½
Omaha.....	....	....	....	200
3200 Peoples Gas.....	99⅜	100⅛	98⅝	100⅛
200 Pacific Mail.....	37	37¾	37	38
100 Pullman.....	224	224	224	220
2900 Pressed Steel Car	37⅛	38	36½	37¼
400 Do preferred..	90	90	90	90½
78800 Penna. R. R....	151½	153½	149¾	153
P., C. C. & St. L.	....	....	....	102
Do preferred..	....	....	....	101
Railway Springs..	....	....	....	38
Do preferred..	....	....	....	85
28400 Reading.....	58⅝	57	56⅞	58⅜
1400 Do 1st pref....	82⅜	83⅛	81½	83
1200 Do 2d pref....	72	73	72	72½
34100 Rock Island.....	35½	37	35½	36⅞
5700 Do preferred..	77	79	76¾	78⅝
6200 Republic Iron....	18¼	18⅛	17	17⅞
5000 St. L. & S. F....	67	67	64¾	66½
100 Do 1st pfd.....	....	....	....	84
800 Do 2d pfd.....	67¼	67⅝	65½	67
69600 Southern Pacific.	57⅜	59⅝	56	59
16700 Southern Railway	29	30¼	28	29⅞
1000 Do preferred..	89⅝	91	89	91
82500 St. Paul.....	168⅛	170½	166⅞	169⅝
200 Do preferred..	....	....	....	189
1300 S. L. & Southw'n	25	25½	24½	25½
1200 Do preferred..	57½	58⅝	56¾	58⅜
8000 Tenn Coal & Iron	53	55	49½	55
6200 Texas & Pacific..	38¼	39¼	37¼	39¼
900 T., St. L. & W....	25	26⅝	25	25¾
1600 Do preferred..	42½	45½	42	45⅜
127950 U. S. Steel.....	31⅝	32	29⅜	31⅛
38100 Do preferred..	79⅞	81⅜	79	81¼
78200 Union Pacific.....	96	97¾	93	96¾
2700 Do preferred..	90¾	91	89½	90⅝
200 U. S. Rubber....	15	15	14¾	14⅞
3400 U. S. Leather....	11¾	11⅝	10⅝	11⅞
1200 Do preferred..	88¾	88½	87½	88
U. S. Cast I. P.	12⅝	12⅝	11⅞	11½
Do preferred..	50	47	49	49
U. S. R. & Cm.	20⅝	21⅜	20	21½
Do preferred..	66¼	67⅝	66¼	67
2500 Wabash.....	24½	26	23½	25
4000 Do preferred..	39⅝	40	37	38⅝
1700 W. U. Telegraph	87¼	88	87¼	87⅝
400 W. & L. E.....	21	21¾	20½	20
Do 1st pfd.....	50¾	51½	50¾	51
500 Do 2d pfd.....	31⅜	31⅝	30	31½
2200 Wisconsin Cent..	23⅜	24⅝	23	24
1800 Do preferred..	48¼	48⅝	47	48

NEW YORK CLOSING BONDS.

U. S. ref. 2s reg	107⅛	L. & N. uni. 4s	103⅛
Do coupon	107⅛	Mex. Cen. 4s	79½
Do 3s reg	107⅛	Do 1st inc	29½
Do coupon	107⅛	Minn. & St. P. 4s	102⅝
Do New 4s reg	135½	M., K. & T. 4s	78
Do coupon	135½	Do 2ds	53½
Do Old 4s reg	108½	N. Y. C. 1sts	102⅜
Do coupon	109½	Do gen. 3½s	132⅛
Do 5s reg	103⅜	N. J. C. gen. 5s	135½
Do coupon	103⅜	North. Pacific 4s	103½
Atchison gen. 4s	101	Do 3s	73½
Do adjt. 4s	90	N. & W. con. 4s	100
Balti. & Ohio 4s	100⅜	Read. Gen. 4s	96
Do 3½s	94	St. L. & I. M. c. 5s	112⅝
Do conv. 4s	104½	St. L. & S. F. 4s	97
Can. South. 2ds	108	St. L. S'w'n 1sts. 4s	86
Cen. of Geor. 5s	108	Do 2ds	84
Do 1st inc	75	S. A. & A. P. 4s	85
Ches. & O. 4½s	104	South. Pacific 4s

PITTSBURGH BROKERS ENGAGE IN LIVELY RACE

Fourth Avenue Companies Relocate--November Building Over the Country Shows Slight Gain.

At least five of Pittsburgh's leading brokers participated this week in the liveliest scramble for a down-town property that has taken place for years. The contest between the buyers was so close that it resulted in the two winning brokers returning home yesterday morning with a joint deed for the property, which is known as the Letitia Robinson holdings at the southwest corner of Liberty avenue and Virgin alley. The consideration was $240,000 cash. Although the property has been for sale several months it was not until this week that certain legal complications were settled in the Delaware county courts, making it possible to give a clear title. Four of the five brokers known to have been interested went to New York Wednesday, each determined to get the property for his client. D. P. Black, president of the Real Estate Trust Company, and A. O. Detchon of the Union Realty Company brought back the coveted articles of agreement, which will result in the property being conveyed jointly to Henry W. Oliver and Ernest P. Rusch, their respective clients.

The Robinson lot is known as Nos. 606-616 Liberty avenue. It measures 45 feet in Liberty avenue, 50 feet in Virgin alley and has an extreme depth of about 80 feet, although it is very irregular in form. The building is a three-story brick structure, the first floor of which is occupied by the Crystal Maze restaurant and Black's saloon. The Paul Hacke property and the McClintock block each notches into the lot. It was announced that the purchase was made for an investment solely and no improvements are contemplated at present.

Three Average Sized Deals.

Two properties in the Eighth ward have been sold by William A. Hodkinson to Abram C. Stein for $29,500. One is a lot 76x118 feet on the east side of Fulton street and the other a lot 50x135 feet on the west side of Crawford street. Both properties are improved and adjoin the Oldshue holdings.

Attorney Leander Trautman has sold for his mother, Mrs. Kate W. Nobbs, to Rachel Browarosky a Schenley leasehold on a lot 24.5x130 feet at No. 2629 Penn avenue, Twelfth ward, for $10,600. The lot has on it a three story brick store and dwelling in front and two brick flats in the rear. Mrs. Nobbs had owned the lease for 20 years and recently had renewed it for a further period of 10 years, dating from January 1, 1903.

The deed has been delivered in the sale by Harry M. Gross of another of his new houses in Bartlett street to Thomas M. Evans, the consideration being $10,600. The lot measures 70x145.5 feet on the north side of Bartlett street, near Bayard avenue, Twenty-second ward, and the residence is a 14-room colonial brick house with all modern improvements and a hard wood finish throughout. The deal was made by the W. H. Skivington Company.

Two Companies Get More Room.

The Mortgage Banking Company yesterday moved into its new quarters at No. 423 Fourth avenue, at the corner of Cherry alley. The company will occupy the first floor of the new building and has fitted up one of the neatest and best arranged banking rooms in the city. This company, which is an outgrowth of the Lawton Mortgage Company, is now officered by the following men: Samuel Garrison, president; Charles Holmes, vice president; Charles B. Lawton, second vice president and manager; A. P. Howard, treasurer; William B. Lawton, secretary; Lem S. Brock, closing officer. These men, together with Walter Morris and Prentice G. Walker, constitute the board of directors.

The old quarters of the Mortgage Banking Company at No. 219 Fourth avenue are being refitted for the use of the Commercial Building Company, which was incorporated through the efforts of former members of the Lawton Mortgage Company. Its capital is $175,000, and its officers are: Samuel Garrison, president; Charles Lawton, vice president and manager; Lem S. Brock, secretary; A. P. Howard, treasurer; William F. Panke, superintendent; W. W. Powell, jr., assistant manager.

Broker E. C. Rowley left last night for New York, and Monday, when the sale of September 18 in the Bureau of Pittsburgh parties, who are after a prominent property in this city.

Pittsburgh in the Losing Ranks.

The report of building operations over the country for the month of November, tabulated by the Construction News of Chicago, shows that in 24 cities there was a slight gain in the amount of building done. A total of 6,752 permits were issued, amounting to $21,541,786, as against 5,683 permits, aggregating $21,154,741 for November, 1901. In 15 cities gains varying from 10 to 374 per cent were recorded, while nine cities have losses ranging from 10 to 64 per cent to be considered. Washington leads the procession with a gain of 374 per cent and is followed by these cities: San Francisco, 186 per cent; Allegheny, 138 per cent; Cleveland, 112 per cent, and Los Angeles, 110 per cent. New York shows a loss of 2½ per cent and Chicago of 10 per cent. St. Paul, Cincinnati, Indianapolis, Minneapolis and Buffalo show the largest losses, their decreases being respectively 64, 62, 50, 42 and 42 per cent. Pittsburgh showed a loss of 19 per cent. Allegheny, which made a creditable showing, has made a decided gain every month of this year.

Cincinnati real estate brokers are agitating the matter of charging larger commissions and the committee appointed to revise the constitution of the Real Estate Exchange of that city will recommend a measure to that effect. Under the present laws brokers charge 2 per cent on sales of not over $60,000, and 1 per cent on sales over that amount. The rate for leases is 4 per cent on $1,000 for the first year and 25 per cent for the excess over that sum. One per cent is charged for the next four consecutive years. The proposed increase for the rate has met with welcome news to Pittsburgh brokers who have talked considerably lately of organizing and fixing a rate for sales and leases in order to counteract the influence of curbstone brokers and minority dealers.

A Big Overall Factory.

Architect S. B. Elsendrath is preparing plans for what will be the largest overall factory in the west. It will be located at Terre Haute, Ind., and will belong to Samuel Frank & Sons. The main building will be 60x150 feet and five stories high. It will be of mill construction and will cost about $50,000. Bids will be taken about January 15, 1903. The factory will have over 500 employes.

Henry Lee Scheuey has purchased four lots in the John Hedley plan at Swissvale for $8,000 through the Real Estate Trust Company, will improve them at once by the erection of four reception hall brick houses of 10 rooms each. The houses will be built in Delaware avenue and will cost $10,000 each.

Knoxville: Edsall & Hamna sold for C. L. Mohney of the firm of Langenheim, Cochran & Co., Marshall W. Shook, No. 224 Charles street, Knoxville, for $4,000. The lot is 50x100 feet, and is improved with an 11-room reception hall brick house, one of the 50 dwellings which Mr. Mohney built two years ago for the Knoxville speculative market.

Coral street: C. C. Hamilton sold for J. A. Graver to J. F. Young No. 5407 Coral street, Nineteenth ward, a nine-room brick house, lot 23.5x102 feet, for $5,000.

Bought in Fine Location.

Highland avenue: L. A. Clark & Co. sold to John Frazier No. 318 South Highland avenue, a two-story and mansard brick house, lot 24x120 feet, for $8,000. The buyer takes the property for investment and is about closing a deal with the same firm for another property in the same neighborhood.

Stratton lane: George N. Powell sold to John Ruhl an improved lot, 30x120.5 feet, in Stratton lane near Howe street, Twentieth ward, for $3,000.

Thirty-third street: Thomas S. Alliston sold to Margaret Dawson an improved lot, 40x116 feet, in Thirty-third street, extending through to Quarry street, Fifteenth ward, for $4,000.

Race street: The Beechwood Improvement Company, limited, sold to Conrad Beh a lot, 50x63 feet, on the north side of Race street, Twenty-first ward, for $3,000.

Margaretta street: Joseph Heuler sold to C. N. Green an improved lot, 20x80 feet, on the east side of Margaretta street, Nineteenth ward, for $1,500.

Sandusky street: George Schmidt & Son sold for George N. Schmidt to John F. Sullivan a lot, 47x100 feet, at the southwest corner of Semple and Boundary streets, Fourteenth ward, for $650.

Vera street: A. M. Brown, trustee for the Anchor Savings bank, sold to Frank Wise an improved lot, 20x91 feet, on the north side of Vera street, near Morgan street, Thirteenth ward, for $500.

Mrs. M. B. Hill was yesterday granted a permit to build a brick dwelling on Brown street, near the Pennsylvania railroad, to cost $6,000.

Transfers Recorded.

Dubarry Geo D et ux to Martha E Barrett, Dec 6, '02, 20th wd, Pgh, 25x110, Penn ave ..... $ 3,847

Federal Realty Co to Lela D Green, Nov 19, '02, 10th wd, McKpt, 25x110, Manning ave 350

Same to Jno D Jones, Nov 19, '02, same, 25x110, Archer ave 600

Same to W S Hill et al, Nov 19, '02, same, 2 lots, Fifth ave. 1,400

Schelb A C et ux to Peter Selbel, Oct 15, '02, Chartiers twp, 40x150, Idlewild ave 2,200

Hemphill Geo E to Wm Bergman, Dec 1, '02, Avalon boro, California ave.... 1,450

Hay I Walker et ux to Geo E Hemphill, Sept 30, '02, Avalon boro, Josephine st 1,300

Hess Joseph P et ux to Frank F Schehl et ux, Dec 6, '02, Elliott boro, 22x100, Fairview ave 1,200

West End Land Co to Geo Rosener, Dec 1, '02, Stowe twp, 2 lots, Ridge ave... 500

Badger Jane E to Ralph W Hamblin, Oct 15, '02, Swissvale boro, Dennison ave 2,600

Mellon W L et ux to Jane E Badger, Oct 10, '02, Swissvale boro, 25x110, Dennison ave 625

Hess Jno P et al to Lewis Drogowski et ux, Feb 1, '02, 34th wd, Pgh, 15x100, Carson st 3,800

Wehling Edward C et ux to Wm McMillen, et ux, Dec 9, '02, 2d wd, Allg, 20x150, Harrison st 2,650

Biegert Lavinia F et al to Jno Bourke et al, Nov 1, '02, Crafton boro, 50x140, Hawthorn ave 900

Same to same, Nov 1, '02, same, lot, same 900

Jones Susan to Hyatt & Cribbs, Sept 22, '02, Verona, Katz alley 900

Bringmann Jno F et ux to Peter F Keck, Dec 11, '02, 13th wd, Pgh, 40x100, Moore st 1,800

Reynolds Thos Jr et ux to Katherine Smith, Dec 10, '02, 12th wd, 30x85ps, 25x110, Archer ave 500

Thompson Jno W et al to Louis Vote, Nov 24, '02, 37th wd, Pgh, Hamilton ave 3,200

Palmer Harry L ex to Jno Stack, Sept 16, '02, McKees Rocks, 21x110, Singer ave 1,000

Salsburg M K ex to Oscar C Bertling, Nov 10, '02, 22d wd, Pgh, 75x140, East End ave 9,000

Schroeder Mary I ex to Douglass L & Imp Co, Dec 10, '02, 11th wd, Pgh, 40 x111, Porter st 5,450

Prog. Mutual Sav F & L A to Jno Metterer, Nov 3, '02, 27th wd, Pgh, 20x124, Herron ave 1,400

Oehm Christian H to Mary A Deppish, Sept 27 '02, 31st wd, Pgh, 25x150, Cicero alley 1,800

Bailey Jas H ux to L C Wick, Oct 28, '02, 32d wd, Pgh, 80x125, Katharine st 900

Mitchell Jas K to Fred Werron, Oct 16, '02, Jefferson twp, 60x200, Euclid ave.... 600

Jutte Wm C ex to Annie M Bakewell, Oct 10, '02, 20th wd, Pgh, 85x120, 5th ave 6,800

Lincoln Walter A to Martin L Snyder, Nov 25, '02, 26th wd, Pgh, 98x140, Atlantic ave 5,500

Reineman Edw C to Frank Schussler, Nov 25, '02, 12th wd, Allg, 48x200, Lowry st 4,000

Lennox Snowden G to Jas T Golden, Sept 1, '02, 1st wd, Ally, 38x34, Western ave 20,000

Pa Real Est Exch to Investors Land Co, Apr 29, '02, Wilkins twp, lots.... 10,000

Miller Wm A ex to Wm Patterson, Dec 11, '02, Jefferson twp, 40x200, Ft Pitt road 600

Nicholls Mary E to Allg. City & O'Brien, Dec 6, '02, 24 wd, Ally, 20x100, Arch st.. 6,800

Arbuckle Frank to Enos G Duncan, Oct 30, '02, Avalon, Ohio twp, reference 44.. 5,500

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Two other resolutions will be presented and acted upon. One will favor improvements for the Ohio river and the other will advocate a petition to congress to establish a new cabinet office, secretary of commerce. President Roosevelt is known to favor the move, but congress has never acted on the matter. These resolutions will be presented to the national board of trade and favorable action thereon is confidently expected.

First-class Bond Issues

at attractive prices can be secured at the bond department of The Colonial Trust Co., 317 4th avenue, affording opportunities for those who desire to invest in either a large or small amount.

9, '02			1,650
Brown Andy to J Bader, Nov 14, '02			700
Kohn Frank G to C C Kohn estate, Dec 11, '02			12,000
Ruhl John to L Huth, Nov 29, '02			4,000
Dunbar W H to Commonwealth R. E. & T. Co, Dec 1, '02			6,500
Ferguson Geo to T W Saler, Dec 6, '02			2,650
O'Rorke M C to C Bauss, Nov 25, '02			1,800
Bortz Geo W to Citizens Dept Tr Co, Dec 11, '02			7,000
Schaffarzel C to C Manring, Dec 6, '02			5,000
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UPWARD MOVEMENT OF TIMOTHY HAY PRICES

Flour Market Stronger—Eggs Easier With Nominal Quotations Unchanged.

Light offerings of timothy hay were the order yesterday, and strong markets prevailed, with prices advancing. The asking price for No. 1 grade was $16 50, while a car of choice was offered at $18 00 on 'change, 10 days arrival. Buyers were willing to pay a good figure for hay, and a number of sales were made, but sellers were very stiff and refused some good offers that would have resulted in sales a few days ago. The feeling prevails that quotations are going to advance still more, and no very earnest attempt is being made to sell ahead. Oats are coming in slowly, and, for better grades, advanced prices rule. Corn is firm, and No. 2 yellow shelled went forward a trifle yesterday. Straw, rye and millfeed all remain unchanged.

Chicago wheat markets have ruled higher during the week, partly due to manipulation, but the effect has been to strengthen the four situation, some millers having advanced prices, and local jobbers are advancing quotations here. Wheat is about 3 cents a bushel higher than at the opening of the week. Ordinarily this would mean an advance of 15 cents in the price of flour. Doubts as to the stability of the wheat's position, however, has kept millers from following the advance to its full extent.

One thing which has tended to make the wheat situation strong this year is the condition existing on the Pacific coast. As a rule that section has a large surplus of wheat, which finds a market in Great Britain. This year, however, what surplus there has been in California, Oregon and Washington for export has largely gone to New Zealand, leaving the field in Great Britain and Europe open for wheat from the northwest. This has given impetus to eastern export trade. When wheat has not graded satisfactorily this season, and the supposedly immense crops have not yielded up to expectations.

Other grocery lines are without special feature. Sugar holds its own well at the recent advances, and the market is very firm. Coffee is in good demand. Teas and spices are firm, and have been for several weeks. Cereals sell freely, with prices easier than they were at the first of last month, but the situation is about as quotations. Molasses and syrups are strong and selling actively. Navy beans unchanged, with the market comparatively easy.

There is no change in canned goods prices. Corn is strong and the leading seller, while tomatoes have never fully recovered from the weakness shown earlier in the season, an easy tone prevailing throughout the market. Buyers are not as quick to take hold of tomatoes at the present price may be asked, as is generally the case, but are hanging back and purchasing slowly.

In the produce market the movement of goods is fairly steady but not large, the Christmas shopping seems to be occupying the attention of consumers to such an extent that fruit and vegetable marketing is being temporarily neglected. Apples are in fair supply only, and dealers are finding trade dull. Jobbers note a good movement of decorative greens, the real demand for these is not actually started, prices for which are therefore holding steady, with figures now established on a firm basis.

Considerable interest is noticed in the egg market yesterday continue, demand being slow. Jobbers attribute this to the fact that consumers are simply waiting until next week to purchase, and that the present asking quotations nominally unchanged, although there were no sales reported at concessions. While a few pullet eggs have been hurried to market, shippers being attracted by high prices ruling for some time past, the movement is as yet but light. Butter and cheese hold very firm. Cheese prices say they now stand are likely to remain at the balance of the season, unless they go still higher.

The poultry situation remains unchanged. Demand is moderate and receipts are slightly improving, but not enough to materially prohibit any decline in the local market.

HAY, GRAIN AND FEED.

Receipts bulletined: Pennsylvania lines, 5 cars hay, 1 car oats, 2 cars corn; by rail and straw, 1 car corn and oats, 1 car straw, 3 cars feed; Pittsburgh & Lake Erie railroad, 2 cars hay, 3 cars oats; Pittsburgh & Western railroad, 3 cars hay, 1 car oats, 2 cars corn, 1 car straw; total receipts, 30 cars.

No. 1 tim $16.00@16.50
No. 2 do 15.00@15.50
No. 1 clov $12.00@12.50
No. 2 do mixed 13.00@13.50
Loose, from wagon $16.00@17.00
Straw, oat... $8.50@9.00
do wheat $8.50@9.00
do rye... $9.50@10.00
Corn, No. 2 yellow, shelled... 53@53½c
do high mix... 50@51c
do No. 2 mix... 49@50c
No. 2 white, yel... 52@52½c
low car... 54@55c

Bran, ton... $17.00@17.50
Middlings... $18.00@19.00
Brown mid'gs... $17.50@18.00
Chop... $17.00@18.00
Oats, No. 2 white... 37½@38c
do extra No. 3... 36½@37c
do reg. No. 3... 35½@36c
White oats, No. 2... 36½@37c
do No. 3... 35½@36c
Rye, No. 1... 72@73c
Timothy seed... $2.00@2.05
Timothy hay... $16.00@17.00
Mixed hay... $15.00@16.00
Clover hay... $14.00@15.00
Straw, rye... $8.00@8.50
Straw, oat... $7.00@7.50

SHIP CANAL REVIVED.

Incorporators Will Meet Next Week to Prepare to Push Charter Bill.

A meeting of the incorporators of the Lake Erie and Ohio River Ship Canal Company will be called next week to take measures to secure the passage of the bill in congress to charter the company.

Members of the company say that the freight congestion on local railroads makes the canal between the Pittsburgh rivers and the lakes an urgent necessity, and will make strenuous efforts for the passage of the bill. Congressman Dalzell is heartily in favor of the scheme and hopes to see favorable action taken by the house early in the next session.

BANK CLEARINGS.

Nine Leading Cities of Country Show Decrease for Week Compared With Last Year.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The following table, compiled by Bradstreet, shows bank clearings at the principal cities for the week ended December 12, with the percentage of increase and decrease as compared with the corresponding week last year:

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Boston	155,052,294	.....	6.9
Philadelphia	108,964,022	.....	1.2
St. Louis	46,930,640	.....	17.5
Pittsburgh	35,632,971	.....	18.1
Baltimore	22,501,593	.....	6.6
San Francisco	20,168,189	.....	22.4
Cincinnati	22,338,650	.....	10.9
Kansas City	20,975,849	.3	.....
Cleveland	14,185,211	.....	9.6
Minneapolis	17,336,796	.....	13.6
New Orleans	17,227,870	1.4	.....
Detroit	10,284,469	.....	27.4
Louisville	11,662,977	.6	.....
Indianapolis	12,329,724	20.9	.....
Toledo	2,901,552	13.4	.....
Scranton	3,710,606	.....	21.5
Dayton, O	1,505,580	11.6	.....
Mansfield, O	184,314	.....	.....
Akron	452,900	7.4	.....
Youngstown	643,730	15.3	.....
Canton	416,600	8.9	.....
Springfield, O	554,900	.....	17.7
Columbus, O	9,551,600	28.1	.....
Wheeling	748,480	14.3	.....
Wilkesbarre	746,607	.....	7.7
Greensburg, Pa	400,644	.....	.....
Totals, U. S	$2,083,814,835	.....	17.6
Outside N. Y	816,025,559	.....	3.5

Not included in totals because containing other items than clearings. †Not included in totals because of no comparison for last year.

The tunnel on the Ontario-Richmond group on the main range, southwest of Helena, is now in Ontario 1,240 feet. It reaches a depth of 120 feet below the old crosscut tunnel. It is expected that the vein will be reached in about 70 feet.

The Idaho-Helena Gold Mines Company, operating the Goettsch group of claims in the Bear Creek district, has made a rich strike in the new tunnel which has been driving for some time. This is the property where only a few days ago one of the richest strikes in the district was made in what is known as the "corner" vein. The ore is running several thousand dollars to the ton.

Helena reports the completion and successful operation of the 60-stamp mill of the Big Indian Mining Company, which has been thrown at the Wisacott mines, situated four miles south of the city of Helena. An immense body of free milling gold ore has been located by the company, which is operated by electric power furnished from the power house of the Missouri River Power Company, located at Canyon Ferry, 16 miles distant. The mill has been in operation a month and it is found that the cost of extraction and treatment will not exceed 60 cents per ton.

From a recent arrival from Thunder mountain it is learned that prices are pretty steep for the necessities of life in that country. He says that flour is $18 per 100 pounds in Roosevelt and bacon 75 cents a pound or foot. Butter is 80 cents a pound and potatoes are $15 per 100 pounds. A good meal costs $1 50 now, though earlier in the season meals were from 75 cents to $1 25. Wages are not extraordinarily high, for the average miner gets only $3 per day, with board and lodging.

The Metal Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The feature of today's metal market was the sharp advance in tin at London, where a gain for the day of 1£ 10s was reported, with spot quoted at £114 12s 6d and futures at £113. The New York market was influenced by the advance abroad to the extent of some 40 points on the inside price, spot closing at $25 35@25 45. Copper ruled firm at London, making the spot quotation £50 8s 3d and futures £50 12s 6d. Locally heavier, it was unchanged, quotations being nominal. Standard was quoted at $12 75. Lake at $11 75 and electrolytic and casting at $11 45. Lead was steady, but quiet here, at $4 12½, while in London it was firmer, advancing 2s 6d to £16 18s 6d. Spelter was unchanged here at $4 15, and in London at £19 17s 6d. Iron was lower abroad, Glasgow closing at 54s 3d nominal, and Middlesboro at 47s 3d. Locally the market was quiet and unchanged. Warrants continue nominal. No. 1 foundry, northern, is quoted at $23 00@25 00; No. 2 foundry, northern, No. 1 foundry, southern, and No. 1 foundry, southern soft, at $22 00@23 00.

Boston Copper Stocks.

(Reported by A. E. Masten & Co.)

Allouez	2½	Old Dominion	33
Adventure	12½	Old Colony	1
Arcadian	3½	Parrot	22
*Black Diamond	3	Phoenix	3½
Bingham	28	Quincy	100
*Calumet & Ariz	50	Range Cons	63½
Calumet & Hecla	460	Rhode Island	1¾
Centennial	15¾	Swift	119
*Calumet & Pch	75	*Trimountain	55
Elm River	1¾	Tamarack	140
*L. S. & P. D	17½	Utah	23
Mass	13	U. S. Mining	20¾
Mohawk	30	Victoria	4¾
Michigan	7	Wolverine	87½
Mont. & Boston	2¾	Winona	3½
Osceola	50		

*Asked.

New York Mining Stocks.

Adams Con	.16	Little Chief	.09
Alice	.19	Ontario	2.65
Breece	.40	Ophir	1.40
Brunswick Con	.03	Phoenix	.06
Comstock Tun	.04½	Potosi	.20
Con. Cal. & Va	1.10	Ramb. Car	.15
Horn Silver	1.25	Sierre Nevada	.45
Iron Silver	.75	Small Hopes	.35
Leadville Con	.02	Standard	3.00

DIRECTORS WILL MEET.

Chamber of Commerce to Be Represented at National Meeting.

The board of directors of the Pittsburgh chamber of commerce will meet on Monday at 2:30 p. m. to transact business pertaining to the meeting of the national board of trade, to be held in Washington in January. At the directors' meeting a resolution will be adopted recommending the election of delegates from the chamber to the meeting.

Two other resolutions will be presented and acted upon. One will favor improvements for the Ohio river and the other will advocate a petition to congress to establish a new cabinet office, secretary of commerce. President Roosevelt is known to favor the move, but congress has never acted on the matter. These resolutions will be presented to the national board of trade and favorable action thereon is confidently expected.

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WEEK'S RETAIL TRADE IS MOST FLOURISHING

Sales Largely Exceed Those of Corresponding Week of Last Year.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade tomorrow will say:

Lower temperature and holiday demands have combined to accelerate retail trade, sales largely exceeding the corresponding week in preceding years. Much postponed business is being made up and shipping departments are crowded with work, but wholesale trade has ruled quiet. Railroad earnings for November exceeded last year's by 7 per cent and those of 1900 by 20.5 per cent.

At first glance the sudden rise in furnace stocks of pig iron to 94,205 tons compared with 71,858 on November 1, might suggest that consumption was below production, but obviously any accumulation that occurs is due to inadequate transporting facilities, since needs are urgent, as evidenced by the imports of eastern steel works. The pressure is still greatest for railway supplies, with structural material next as to urgency of demand.

Small supplementary orders for spring shoes are received by New England shops, but the season is practically over. Aside from activity in Union sole, the leather market has been quiet. Further recessions have occurred in domestic hides. On the other hand, foreign dry hides are firmly held, despite increased receipts.

Conditions are practically unchanged as to cotton goods, a fair volume of orders preventing accumulation at the mills. Quotations are steady and export sales of heavy brown cottons continue small. Woolen goods for next fall have been opened at an average advance of from 5 to 10 per cent.

Failures this week in the United States are 269 against 204 last week, 218 the preceding week and 275 the corresponding week last year; in Canada, 20 against 15 last week, 16 the preceding week and 17 last year.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS

CENTRAL STOCK YARDS.
Friday, December 12, 1902.

Cattle—Supply light; market steady; prices, 1,400 to 1,600 lbs, $4 90@5 40; prime, 1,300 to 1,400 lbs, $5 60@5 75; good, 1,200 to 1,300 lbs, $5 25@5 50; tidy, 1,000 to 1,150 lbs, $4 35@5 00; fair, 900 to 1,000 lbs, $3 60@4 10; common to good, 800 to 900 lbs, $2 50@3 25; bulls and stags, $3 00@4 00; common to good fat cows, $1 75@4 00; heifers, 700 to 1,000 lbs, $3 00@4 60; best fresh cows, $40@55; common to good, $20@35.

Sheep and lambs—Supply fair; market steady on sheep, weak on lambs; best wethers, $5 10@5 25; fair to good mixed, $5 00@5 10; good mixed ewes, $4 75@5 00; fair, $4 50@4 75; culls and common, $1 50@2 00; choice lambs, $5 40@5 60; common to good, $5 50@5 30; veal calves, $7 00@8 25; heavy and thin, $4 00@5 00.

RODGERS SAYS COAL CO. VIOLATES SHERMAN ACT

Important Argument on Status of Monongahela River Consolidated Coal & Coke Co.'s Restraining Contract With W. C. Jutte.

Arguments were made in common pleas court No. 2 yesterday in the important case of the Monongahela River Consolidated Coal and Coke Company against W. C. Jutte to restrain him from entering the coal business for 10 years under a contract made when Jutte sold his interests to the plaintiff.

Jutte held that the plaintiff is a monopoly and illegal. Attorneys George C. Wilson and Charles G. McIlvain presented the case for the plaintiff and Attorneys W. B. Rodgers and Henry A. Davis acted for the defendant. The argumenis were lengthy

Mr. Wilson said in part: "When a body of men has been acting as a corporation and it is sought to hold them to the legal consequences which would have attended their actions had they been legally organized as a corporation, they will be estopped from denying the legality of their corporate organization. On the other hand, when a person has contracted with such a body as a corporation, he will also be estopped from denying their legal incorporation when sued on his contract. It is idle to say that, when a corporation, organized to mine and ship coal by river and owning two boats is a legally constituted corporation, one owning ten boats, under similar conditions, is a monopoly; in other words, that the question of whether a corporation is or is not a monopoly and contrary to the Sherman act is to be determined by the size of the corporation."

Wilson Denies Jutte's Charges.

Mr. Wilson read a long list of the names of the mines, the number of acres of coal land, the boat building establishments and the boats along and in the immediate vicinity of the rivers that the plaintiff, at its formation, did not buy. He dwelt at length on the contract with Jutte and then said:

"And now he comes before this court to say that this corporation with which he dealt, whose securities he accepted, whose dividends he received, whose stocks and bonds he sold to innocent purchasers for prices above prices at which they came into his hands, is no corporation at all; its charter is void, its securities are invalid, that this court, sitting to do equity, should by its order and decree in utter open violation of his contract, permit him to use the money thus obtained to deprive the plaintiff company of the thing for which that money was the consideration and price."

Mr. Rodgers said in part: "A contract in restraint of trade, which is ancillary to the contract for the purchase of the defendant's business by the plaintiff, will not be enforced when the restraint is greater than is necessary for the protection of the plaintiff in the enjoyment of his purchase; it will not be enforced when it restrains the defendant from carrying on his business throughout an extent of territory greater than the territory within which the defendant had carried on the business before the sale, and unless the contract is divisible and mentions separate and distinct extents of territory, one of which covers no more than is required for the plaintiff's protection is made separate and distinct for the different places or extent of territory, the court will not undertake to separate and hold part of it valid when the rest is manifestly void.

Small Operator Is Barred.

"The stipulation in this case is not divisible; there is no language which enables the court to divide it, and thus make a new contract for the parties."

Mr. Rodgers showed the territory from which C. Jutte & Co. are excluded from mining coal; from all fields where bituminous coal is found, extending from the Alleghanies to the Rocky mountains. As to the contention that the plaintiff is not a monopoly because it does not include all of the coal in the Monongahela valley, Mr. Rodgers cited a number of cases, in one of which it is stated:

"It is not essential that its result must be a complete monopoly. It is sufficient if it really tends to that end and to deprive the public of the advantage which flows from free competition."

In conclusion Mr. Rodgers said: "The result is apparent. The small operator is debarred from business by reason of the investment and the power of a great capital against him. None but the wealthy can engage in the business, and they at a disadvantage, by reason of the facilities being in the hands of the combination and the uncertainty of the investment in view of the power and wealth of the combination."

Mr. McIlvain argued that the Sherman act has no direct bearing on the rights of the plaintiff and quoted from a speech of Attorney General Knox. Attorney Davis, for Mr. Jutte, made an argument on many points of law, after which the court took the papers.

WANTS NEW RECEIVER

Henry Vogt Machine Company Alleges Duquesne Ice Company Has Debts of $125,000.

Interesting allegations are made as to the formation of the Duquesne Ice Company in a petition filed by the Henry Vogt Machine Company, asking that John D. Biggert be removed from the receivership of the concern. He is directed to make answer by December 20. This is the result of an amicable action begun by A. H. Sunshine to settle the affairs of the company. The machine company, which is a Kentucky corporation, claims it is a creditor to the ice company in sums aggregating $52,000.

It is claimed that Biggert has had no experience in the ice business and is not competent to serve. It is stated the petitioner expects to be able to prove the debts of the ice company aggregate about $125,000; that if any cash was paid in, it did not aggregate more than $40,000, and that all of the $100,000 of the common stock was given away by parties managing and constituting the ice company's board of directors, one of whom was Biggert, who got a portion of the stock, which he now claims to own. It is alleged the stock was not paid for, and that in the appointment of Biggert he has exhibited a hostility towards the creditors of the corporation. It is said the plant should be operated at a profit, but that since Biggert took charge it has been operated at a loss.

EDGAR TAKES AN APPEAL.

Wants Superior Court to Set Aside Decree Giving Wife Partial Divorce.

Attorneys Smith & Kearns, for George S. Edgar, appealed to the superior court from the decision of common pleas court No. 2, granting Mrs. Lottie E. Edgar a divorce from bed and board. The couple have been in litigation for nearly three years.

The court decree directed Edgar to pay his wife $25 per week alimony; to pay her counsel $500, the stenographer $350 and the master in the proceedings $750.

Attorney W. A. Blakely was appointed master, and after 70 hearings recommended a decree.

Allege Conspiracy to Rob.

Statements were filed yesterday in the cases of Mike Sulapot and nine others against Samuel Beck and others, for $1,000 damages each for false arrest. It was upon the appeal of the plaintiffs that the judgment of Alderman B. L. Coursin in compelling them to pay $42 75 each on charges of disorderly conduct, was reversed.

It is set forth in the statements that the whole proceeding was an outrage against citizenship, that the money was wrongfully extorted and that the defendants "conspired together of wrongfully rob the plaintiffs under the guise of the law."

IMPLICATED HIS FRIENDS.

Colored Boy, Who Pleaded Guilty of Robbery, Turned State's Evidence.

In criminal court yesterday Edward Anderson and William Hagan were convicted of receiving stolen goods. Albert Hinton entered a plea of guilty, testifying against the others. The defendants are colored boys and were charged with entering the store of Morris Krieger on November 26 and stealing suits of clothing.

Other convictions were: Dan Wilbert, attempted robbery in holding up Arthur G. Gascoine on September 20 last; John H. Pierce, charged with a misdemeanor.

The acquittals were: Thomas Chenney, charged with perjury, costs placed on Daniel McConville, prosecutor; Henry Winterburn, charged with larceny from the person by Charles Houseman.

Pleas of guilty were entered by John Marcinak, receiving goods stolen from the Allegheny Valley Railroad Company; Adam Koehler, carrying concealed weapons.

Next Week's Trial Lists.

Criminal court—Monday: Commonwealth versus John T. Allison, Eliza Wesco, Julia Kelly, Felix Cominski, John W. Curtiss, Yee Tang, et al. W. H. Hoffman, Walter Smith, B. E. Thomas, Kate Hollihan (2), Kate Meindell, Anna Homiak, John G. Peters, Charles Kitz, Oscar Fields, Lucy Jackson, Michael Doughter, Phillip McGowan, Samuel Branch, Henry Mitchell, Thomas Benner, Charles Guest, Stephen Gayders, Julius Hartman, William Harr, John Wagner, Martin Matsok, Butler McClure, Nesbitt Oswald, Garanni Gervice, Thomas Graham, Annie Przybylok, Nick Ruschel, Fritz Rupert, John Smith, Julius T. Havel.

Tuesday: Commonwealth versus William Jackson (2), Morris Kauffman et al., Matthew Bell, Nathan Graham, William McClintock, N. Levison (3), Nick Browarsky, Max Silverman, W. G. Rose, Salvatore Amelia (2), Annie Duff, James Lowther, George Clark, Bella Lowther (2), Harry Kelso, Frank Timberlake, Fred Cushman, Thomas Kelly, Carlo DePazio, Samuel Solato, Daniel O'Leary, George Washington, John Dougherty et al., John Fitzgerald (2).

Wednesday: Mike Schollinger, Edmund McGinder, William Burgin, John Severan, Harry Brubach, Henry Hecht, Coleman Conroy, Mary Carrigan, Jacob Umshtak, Yako Umshtak, Joseph Tomgo, J. R. Weaver.

Thursday: Charles Fisher, Fred Sturin, Joseph M. O'Neill, Arthur Davis, Thomas McNulty, Catherine Blackstock, Nick Rudokovic (2), J. J. Murphy, Della Swoger, John Neelan.

Friday: Tim Scanlon, J. W. Johnson et al., Johanna Washkevoska, John H. Welton.

Work of the Grand Jury.

The grand jury yesterday returned the following true bills: Larceny, Harry Ackerman, Julius T. Havel; selling and furnishing liquor on Sunday, Annie Smith; selling liquor without a license, Annie Smith; keeping a disorderly house, Annie Smith; false pretences, Rody Pritchard; assault and battery, Jorces Kranics, Julia Shaw, John Klippel, Joseph Johnston, Winnifred Dunnigan, Thomas Ayres, Annie Mawhinney; unlawful assembly and assault, Frank Scardamaglia et al; felonious assault and battery, Frank Scardamaglia et al, Harry Berry; aggravated assault and battery, John Vierheller, David Strom, George Haller, Gust Nable; larceny from the person, John Smith; misdemeanor, Clifford Sneathen; fraudulently making a written instrument, R. L. Hickmon.

The ignored bills were: Larceny, Martin Conlon, A. Goldberg; assault and battery, Rose Hoey, William Flannigan, A. J. Needling, Michael Roach, William Tyler, Andrew Topolski et al; larceny by bailee, Anna Fields; assault, J. L. McClintock; aggravated assault and battery, Frank Tzozinski et al; misdemeanor, Clifford Sneathen.

New Suits Filed.

New suits were entered as follows:

COMMON PLEAS COURT NO. 1.

Plaintiff.	Defendant.	Action.
W. P. Coyle	Booth & Flinn, Ltd.	Tres
A. S. Hannon	Pittsburgh Railways Company	Tres
Charles P. Hannon	Pittsburgh Railways Company	Tres

COMMON PLEAS COURT NO. 2.

Pittsburgh Gauge and Supply Company—H. C. Cyphers et al ..... Assp

COMMON PLEAS COURT NO. 3.

Frederick Dillemuth—Levi E. Umstead et al ..... Sci fa mige

Bennett Public Building and Loan Association—Charles H. Bowman et ux ..... Sci fa mige

Desertion Cases.

The following desertion and surety of the peace cases will be heard today in criminal court:

Commonwealth versus James Jones, Mary F. Jones, Louisa Jones, George Neff, Sr., Maggie Kipp, Emil Helbling, Louis N. Grove, Charles Baker, William Alexander, Harry Bair, Frank Flanagan, John Franklin, Julius Hartman, Morris M. Leslig, Charles Layton, Leo Metzner, Benjamin Rotesman, Louis Silverman, Will Watson, Hatty Williams, Katie Weaver, John Wiles, Martin Coyne, Ben Ali Smith.

Executions Issued.

Executions were issued as follows: A. B. Schuster vs. George A. Kastelmoyer, $496; J. A. Langfitt, trustee, vs. The McKees Rocks Laundry Company, $17,827 93; Marietta May vs. Levi E. Umstead et al., $824; H. W. McIntosh vs. Frank B. Tomb, $1,043 48; Emma S. Aiken vs. John Emich, $7,711; P. H. Trembly, use, vs. George J. Spickert, $2,749 35; E. C. Hutchison vs. Edith B. Webster et al., $438; James W. Drape, use, vs. Maria Patterson et al., $2,865; same vs. John M. Jaycox et al., $4,716.

LEGAL BRIEFS.

Decrees in distribution were made as follows: Estates of James Anderson, $2,445 38, and Christina Kober, $1,087.

A decree in divorce was granted in the case of Emma Richardson against Robert Richardson, on the grounds of infidelity.

The jury in the divorce case of Robert J. McIntyre against Kate Z. McIntyre returned a verdict for the respondent. Cruelty was alleged.

An affidavit of defense was filed in the case of Samuel Silberstein against George W. Sherman, to recover on a contract for building a house.

The will of Hannah W. Schumaker of Indiana township was filed. Of an estate worth $17,500, she left $4,000 to grandchildren and the rest to her own children.

Judge W. G. Hawkins handed down an opinion refusing a claim of Robert J. Steenson for $1,050 against the estate of James Anderson. The money is said to have been due for services as bookkeeper.

In the United States district court in the bankruptcy case of John B. Levy, arguments were heard on the exceptions to the report of the referee in bankruptcy, William R. Blair, who refused to recommend a discharge. Lewis Brown was discharged from bankruptcy.

Letters of administration were issued as follows: To Charles M. Sauer, on the $5,500 estate of John Herron; to Lizzie McCarrel on the $1,200 estate of the Rev. J. J. Carrell, D. D.; to Charles Sennneider on the $800 estate of Adam Frey, represented by Attorney Charles W. Dahlinger.

A sealed verdict was returned last evening in the divorce case of Sarah J. Carson against Alexander Carson, in which desertion in 1894 was alleged. The couple are well up in years. The respondent testified he was compelled to leave his wife on account of her ill-treatment and told of her actions, such as compelling him to sleep in the basement and eat away from the table.

PRIZE FIGHTER'S HEART.

Coffee Shown to Be the Cause of His Weak Heart.

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At $4, reduced from $6—little boys' Overcoats.
At $5, reduced from $7—little boys' Overcoats.
At $6, reduced from $8—little boys' Overcoats.
At $5, reduced from $8.50—big boys' double-breasted knee Trouser Suits.
At $5.50, reduced from $7.50 and $8—big boys' double-breasted knee Trouser Suits.
At $3.50, reduced from $5 and $6—big boys' Reefers.
At $5.50, reduced from $6.50 and $7—big boys' cheviot Reefers.
At $6, reduced from $8.50, $10 and $12—big boys' Overcoats.
At 65c a pair, reduced from $1—big boys' all-wool cheviot Knee Trousers.
At $6, from Suits that sold at $10 and $15—big boys' Coats and Vests. Most of them fine black thibet. These, when worn with contrasting trousers, make an exceptionally handsome Suit.

Men's Bath Robes.

Consult your tastes—we have everything.
Bath Robes of terry cloth, $5 and along to $20.
Bath Robes of eiderdown, $3.50 and along to $8.
Blanket Robes, $8.50 and along to $20.

Men's Neckwear.

We can't put in words the beauty and variety of our Christmas Neckwear. All that is necessary is for men to see. They will buy—for we never had such beautiful patterns and colorings. Many of them are exclusive.

All the new Neckwear colorings and styles—from 50c to $3 each.

Men's Gloves.

"He" will thank you very much for a pair of fine Walking Gloves. No doubt of it. And there is not any doubt but what we have just such a large stock as you would expect to find in this large store.

English cut Walking Gloves, $1 and $1.50 a pair.
Dent's, Fowne's, Fisk's, Perrin's Gloves, $2 a pair.
Reynier's Kid Gloves, finest of the world, $2.25 and $2.50 a pair.
Kid Gloves, lined with wool, $1 to $3 a pair.

1,000 Umbrellas $3 Each.

Worth from $3.50 to $6 and $7.

These are for men and women—about an equal number of 26 inches and 28 inches.

They are of taffeta, and that taffeta a pure silk, mounted on natural wood sticks and a hundred different varieties of Holiday handles.

A handsome gift—not at all expensive—the more so when it is engraved free.

Dainty Christmas Perfumery.

The best Perfumery of the world's best makers is to be found here.

From Paris we import the Extracts, Toilet Waters and Soaps of Pinaud, Roger & Gallet, Piver, Houbgigaunt, Violet and Lubin.

From London we bring direct the Crown Perfumery, and the productions of Pisse & Lubin.

Of the fine Perfumery manufactured in America we have Colegate's, Riker's, Wright's, Lanberg's and Hudnut's, and of the latter we are now making an elaborate display.

We are the sole distributing agents for the Hudnut productions, and they are priced as follows:

HUDNUT SACHETS—ALL ODORS—
In envelopes, 25c each.
In one-ounce jars, 50c each.
In large packages, 75c, $1 and $1.50 each.

HUDNUT SOAPS—
Violet Sec., 35c a cake.
Olive Oil, 50c a cake.
Extreme Violet, $1 a cake.

HUDNUT SPECIALTIES—
Extreme Violet Talcum, 50c a box.
Rice Powder, 50c a box.
Bran Bags, 50c a box.
Eau de Quinine, white or cardinal, 75c a bottle.
Benzoin Lotion, 75c a bottle.
Toilet Cerate, 50c a bottle.
Depilatory, $3 a box.
Cream of Cucumber, $1.50 a bottle.
Tooth Paste, 50c a bottle.
Nail Luster, 50c a bottle.
Nail Powder, 25c a bottle.
Nail Bleach, 25c a bottle.
Liquid, 50c a bottle.

HUDNUT EXTRACTS—
One-ounce bottle, each bottle in pretty box, 50c.
Special odors in box, by the ounce, 50c, 75c and $1.
Toilet Waters, 75c, $1.50, $2.75 a bottle.

Among the most favored odors in Toilet Waters, and one that deserves special mention, is that of Violet Sec. It is extremely fragrant without being too pungent, and today is the best selling odor in the market.

Men's Silk Mufflers.

The rule is, in inexpensive Mufflers, to skimp the size. Let us say that all our Mufflers, whatever price, are full size. Beautiful patterns. Every man appreciates a silk Muffler as a gift.

$1 Mufflers—silk and cotton, assorted color stripes.
$1.50 Mufflers—plain white, plain black, blue and black, with assorted figures and stripes.
$1.75 Mufflers—navy blue and black, assorted stripes and figures.
$2 Mufflers—plain white and plain black, blue, black, red with stripes and assorted figures.
$3 Mufflers, plain white, plain black, blue, navy, green, assorted figures.

And the prices range up to $7.50. The latter for an extra heavy quality of material in Persian patterns.

PENN AND FIFTH.

You Will Get a Christmas Feast Before Christmas Tomorrow in THE SUNDAY GAZETTE.

The Gazette has invited a number of honored guests to this banquet, and they tell their best new stories—stories that will fill your heart with Christmas cheer. Among these guests who will enliven the board with their wit and wisdom are:

Mark Twain, **George Ade,**
Booth Tarkington, **Peter F. Dailey**
James W. Osborne, **Simeon Ford.**
Chauncey M. Depew,

You will enjoy this Christmas feast with these jolly boon companions. Among the hundred other features of tomorrow's great Christmas number will be:

Queer Automobile Signs Along French Roads. By Algernon C. Dougherty.

The Unhappiest Boy in all Europe, Austria's Future Ruler. By R. von W———.

The Zebra Will Be the Horse of the Future. By Baron Falz-Fein.

The Fable of the Champion Bore, and The Fable of the Two Frogs, Besides "The Widower," a Study in Natural History. By Dorothy Dix.

Doing Tricks With Kings for Assistants. By Curtis Brown.

Comforts of Home in Far Uganda. By Emma Shaw Colcleugh.

Poster Girls in Beautiful Poses.

The New York Cousin Letter. By Augusta Prescott.

Concerning the Desire to Die. By Grace Duffie Boylan.

Taste and Style in Decollete. By Grace Anna McKenzie.

A Bit of Handkerchief Lore. By Elizabeth B. Maguire.

Czarina's Fate Like That of Josephine. By M. M. Strickler.

Collecting Oriental Rugs is the Latest Fad. By Katherine Louise Smith.

Rest as a Beautifier. By Katherine Morton.

The Christmas Day of a Girl Model. By Adele Pretorious.

Building a Christmas Pantomime. By Charles M. Bregg.

What Well-Dressed Womenkind Are Wearing.

Fashion Letters by Amy Seville Wolfe, Sophie Gates Kerr, Marion Monceau and Elise.

A Spray of Evergreen. By Claudia May Ferrin.

A Theater Backed by Church People. By Eugenie Whipple.

The Single Day When All Paris Mourns. By Reginald C. Dingley.

Fortunes in Ferret Raising. By Charles B. Marsh.

The Real Sultan Is Not so Black as Painted. By F. de W———.

The Ohio Iron Belt Dead Forever. By C. B. Campbell.

The Magic Mirror, a Chapter in Psychic Research. By Jean Barandun.

There have been more stirring times in COON HOLLOW. The Wolf tried to take the Coon's sled. See what happened to him tomorrow on PAYNE'S GREAT COON PAGE.

Get a foretaste of Christmas cheer in tomorrow's Gazette. Always brightest and best.